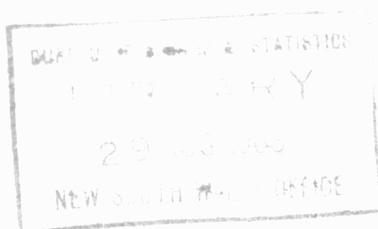


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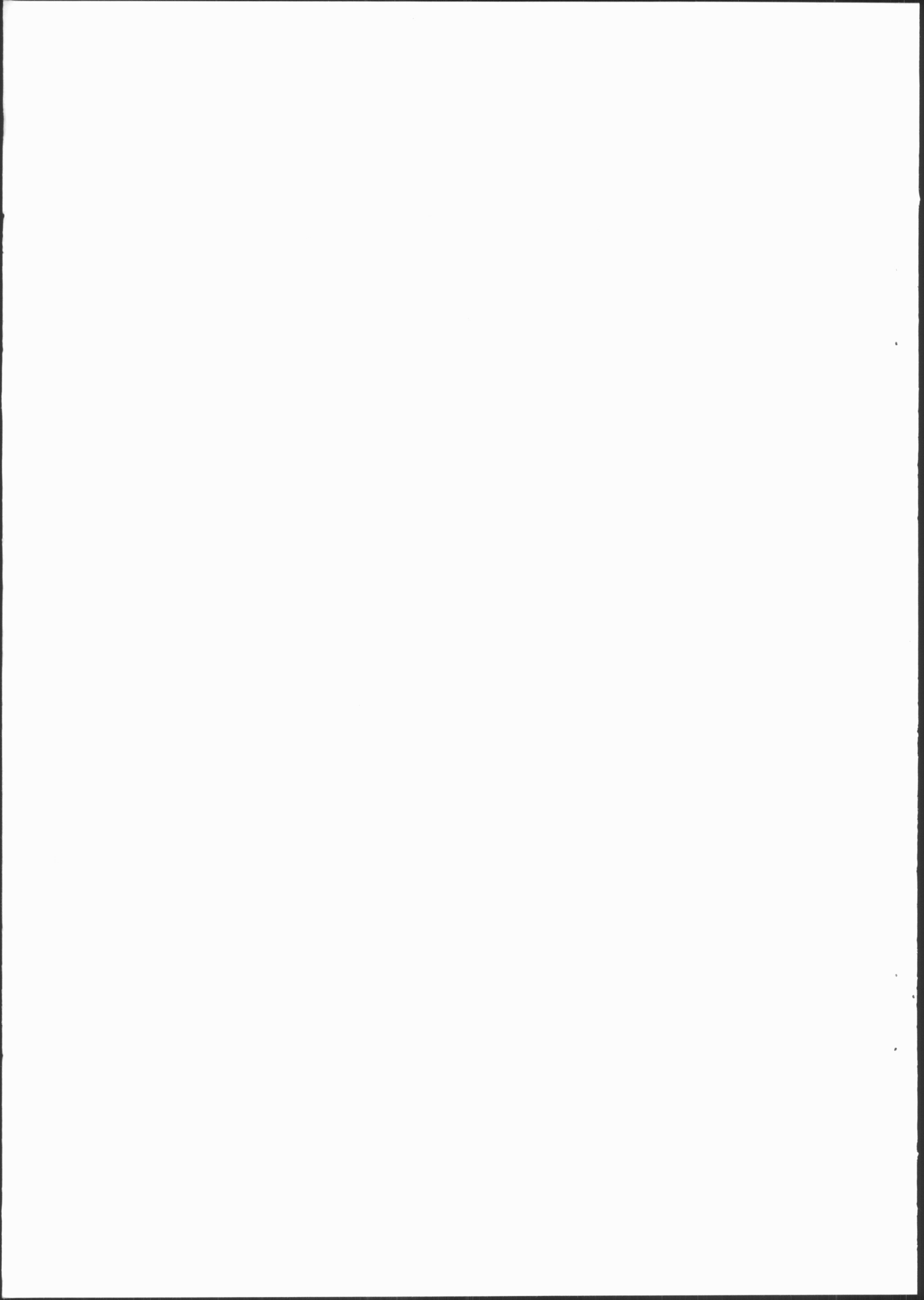


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I. WAGE RATES INDEXES

1. This section contains particulars of weighted average minimum weekly and hourly wage rates for adult males and adult females for Australia and each State, together with index numbers with base : year 1954 = 100.
2. The wage rates used in the compilation of the indexes are the lowest rates prescribed for particular occupations, and for some occupations include general loadings of various kinds. Loadings, etc. that are not applicable to all workers in a specified award occupation (for example, those payable because of length of service; working in wet, dirty or confined places; excess fares incurred due to location of building site) are not included in the wage rates indexes. In the majority of cases the rates used in the indexes are prescribed in awards or determinations of Commonwealth or State industrial authorities or in agreements registered with them. Some rates are prescribed in unregistered agreements between employers and employees.
3. The Wage Rates Indexes are based on the occupation structure existing in 1954. Weights for each industry and each occupation were derived from two sample surveys made in that year. The first was the Survey of Awards in April 1954, which showed the number of employees covered by individual awards, determinations and agreements, and provided employee weights for each industry as well as a basis for the Survey of Award Occupations made in November 1954. This second survey showed the number of employees in each occupation within selected awards, etc., in the various industries, thereby providing occupation weights.
4. The minimum wage rates used in the indexes are for representative occupations within each industry. They have been derived entirely from representative awards, determinations and agreements in force at the end of each period commencing with March 1939 for adult males and March 1951 for adult females. The index for adult males includes rates for 3,415 award designations. However, as some of these designations are operative within more than one industry, or in more than one State, the total number of individual award occupations is 2,313. For adult females the corresponding numbers are 1,100 and 515. By use of the industry and occupation weights derived from the surveys described above, these rates were combined to give weighted averages for each industry group for each State and Australia. Because of coverage difficulties the rural industry is not included in the indexes.
5. Because the indexes are designed to measure movements in prescribed minimum rates of "wages" as distinct from "salaries", those awards, etc. which relate solely or mainly to salary-earners are excluded.
6. In ascertaining from awards, etc., the wage rates for representative occupations, it was found in some cases that an occupation selected as representative in the base year (1954) did not exist in earlier years. In such cases another occupation with the same marginal rate of wage was chosen from the same award and variations in the wage rates for this occupation were taken to be representative for the earlier period.

7. Since 1954 the industrial structure in Australia, and particularly in some States, has been undergoing a degree of change which over a period is likely to have some effects on the indexes. Generally the effect of new or expanding industries on the indexes is not significant, because occupations in such industries can usually be covered by existing awards, and the wage rates for the new occupations conform very closely to those for existing occupations. Occasionally, however, an entirely new award is made to cover a new industry, and in such cases occupations from the new award are introduced into the indexes whenever such action is warranted by the number of employees in the industry. By these means it has been possible for the occupations in the indexes to be kept, as nearly as may be, continuously representative and for a high degree of comparability to be preserved over a long period.

8. Weighted averages of the components of the minimum weekly wage rate, i.e. basic wage, margin and loading for adult male employees covered by Commonwealth awards, etc., and for those covered by State awards, etc. were compiled for months to June 1967 (see Tables 4 and 5). Compilation of averages of components for months subsequent to June 1967 was not possible because of the decision of the Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration commission to eliminate basic wages and margins from its awards and the tables have therefore been discontinued (see Special Note to Commonwealth basic wages page 32 and text on State basic wages page 33).

Weighted average minimum weekly wage rates for adult males covered by "Commonwealth awards, etc.," and for those covered by "State awards, etc.", (as defined below) are shown separately in Tables 6 and 7. Figures for some earlier periods may be obtained from the relevant parts of the tables of components of wage rates referred to above.

Relevant definitions are as follows.

"Commonwealth awards, etc." include awards of, or agreements registered with, the Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Commission, and determinations of the Commonwealth Public Service Arbitrator.

"State awards, etc." include awards or determinations of, or agreements registered with, State industrial tribunals together with certain unregistered agreements where these are dominant in the particular industries to which they refer.

"Basic wage" rates are weighted averages of the weekly rates prescribed in awards, etc., for the occupations included in the index for each State. For industries other than mining, metropolitan basic wage rates have generally been used. However, there are a number of occupations for which basic wage rates other than the metropolitan rate are prescribed. Also in some States at various times, State Government employees under Commonwealth awards have been paid State basic wage rates, and the basic wage rates of some employees have been subject to automatic quarterly adjustments while those of other employees within the same jurisdiction have remained unchanged. In all such cases the basic wage rate actually paid is used in tables herein.

"Margins" are minimum amounts, in addition to the basic wage, awarded to particular classifications of employees for features attaching to their work such as skill, experience, arduousness or other like factors.

"Loadings" include industry loadings and other general loadings prescribed in awards, etc. for the occupations included in the index. Loadings, etc. that are not applicable to all workers in a specified award occupation (for example, those payable because of length of service; working in wet, dirty or confined places; excess fares incurred due to location of building site) are not included in the wage rates indexes.

9. The proportion of employees covered by Commonwealth and State awards, etc. varies considerably between States. In addition, the proportions of employees engaged in the respective industries and occupations differ from State to State. As a result there may be relatively wide differences between the weighted average wage rates in the several States.

10. The wage rates shown in the tables in this section should not be regarded as actual current averages, but as indexes expressed in money terms, indicative of trends. Neither the wage rates nor the corresponding index numbers measure the relative level of wage rates as between States.

11. Weekly wage rates for adult males should not be compared with average weekly earnings per employed male unit shown in Section III, because the latter include the actual earnings of all wage earners and salaried employees (whether adult or junior, full-time or part-time, casual, etc.) in all industries. The figures of earnings are quarterly or annual averages and include, in addition to wages and salaries at award, etc. rates, overtime earnings, over-award and bonus payments, and payments made in advance or retrospectively during the periods specified.

12. Wage rates and index numbers for adult males are available as at the end of each quarter from March 1939 to December 1956 and as at the end of each month from January 1957. Particulars for adult females have been compiled quarterly from March 1951 to June 1967 and monthly from July 1967. For details of wage rates and index numbers from 1939 reference should be made to the following bulletins.

S.B. 484 - Minimum Wage Rates, March 1939 to June 1965.
June 1967 Wage Rates and Earnings bulletin - for final figures,
July 1965 to June 1966. Figures subsequent to June 1966 will
be found in the monthly bulletins, Wage Rates and Earnings,
commencing with the June 1968 issue.

13. In some cases, when awards, etc. are varied, the new wage rates are made retrospective. Also there is generally an unavoidable, and sometimes considerable, delay in the receipt of notification of changes in wage rates in respect of the occupations included in the indexes. Because of these delays, etc. figures for July 1967 and subsequent months are subject to revision. As such revisions are made they are published in the normal monthly tables of this bulletin. Considerations of space preclude the publication herein of revised figures for each industry group in each State but these are available on request. Final figures for months to June 1968 will be published in June 1969 issue of Wage Rates and Earnings bulletin.

NOTE. This bulletin contains final figures to June 1967. Figures for July 1967 and subsequent months are subject to revision (see paragraph 13 above).

TABLE 1. - WEEKLY WAGE RATES : ADULT MALES (a)
INDUSTRY GROUPS, 30 JUNE 1968 (d)

Weighted average minimum weekly rates payable for a full week's work (excluding over-time), as prescribed in awards, determinations, etc.; and index numbers of wage rates.

Industry group	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
RATES OF WAGE (\$)							
Mining and quarrying (b)	54.68	45.30	56.56	44.00	47.21	49.12	52.66
Manufacturing							
Engineering, metals, vehicles, etc.	45.78	46.14	46.88	45.89	45.75	48.44	46.05
Textiles, clothing and footwear	43.30	42.87	43.09	41.73	42.82	42.20	42.96
Food, drink and tobacco	44.75	45.61	44.80	42.41	44.46	43.71	44.81
Sawmilling, furniture, etc.	44.63	42.45	44.10	42.70	43.79	43.06	43.71
Paper, printing, etc.	49.21	49.58	52.53	49.60	53.01	46.22	49.65
Other manufacturing	44.94	44.55	44.02	44.48	43.47	44.96	44.61
All manufacturing groups	45.46	45.34	45.72	45.07	44.99	45.75	45.40
Building and construction	47.84	48.53	45.13	46.99	46.59	47.84	47.37
Railway services	44.34	41.16	45.36	42.56	42.64	45.48	43.61
Road and air transport	46.95	45.26	42.96	44.17	45.81	45.62	45.60
Shipping and stevedoring	44.31	44.41	43.84	44.47	44.26	44.03	44.25
Communication	55.95	55.90	55.44	55.37	55.75	54.26	55.75
Wholesale and retail trade	44.94	45.15	45.90	44.05	44.47	45.87	45.04
Public authority (n.e.i.) and community and business services	47.07	45.08	46.28	43.39	43.86	49.28	45.84
Amusement, hotels, personal service, etc.	43.90	42.09	42.18	40.81	42.22	42.89	42.75
All industry groups (c)	46.44	45.73	46.22	45.18	45.37	46.54	46.03

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(Base : Weighted average weekly wage rate, Australia, 1954=100)

Mining and quarrying (b)	193.6	160.4	200.3	155.8	167.2	173.9	186.5
Manufacturing							
Engineering, metals, vehicles, etc.	162.1	163.4	166.0	162.5	162.0	171.5	163.0
Textiles, clothing and footwear	153.3	151.8	152.6	147.7	151.6	149.4	152.1
Food, drink and tobacco	158.4	161.5	158.6	150.2	157.4	154.8	158.7
Sawmilling, furniture, etc.	158.0	150.3	156.2	151.2	155.0	152.5	154.8
Paper, printing, etc.	174.3	175.5	186.0	175.6	187.7	163.7	175.8
Other manufacturing	159.1	157.8	155.9	157.5	153.9	159.2	158.0
All manufacturing groups	161.0	160.5	161.9	159.6	159.3	162.0	160.7
Building and construction	169.4	171.8	159.8	166.4	165.0	169.4	167.7
Railway services	157.0	145.7	160.6	150.7	151.0	161.0	154.4
Road and air transport	166.2	160.3	152.1	156.4	162.2	161.5	161.4
Shipping and stevedoring	156.9	157.3	155.2	157.5	156.7	155.9	156.7
Communication	198.1	197.9	196.3	196.1	197.4	192.1	197.4
Wholesale and retail trade	159.1	159.9	162.5	156.0	157.5	162.4	159.5
Public authority (n.e.i.) and community and business services	166.7	159.6	163.9	153.6	155.3	174.5	162.3
Amusement, hotels, personal service, etc.	155.4	149.0	149.3	144.5	149.5	151.9	151.4
All industry groups (c)	164.4	161.9	163.7	160.0	160.7	164.8	163.0

(a) See paragraph 10, page 3. (b) For mining, the wage rates include lead bonuses, etc. (c) Excludes rural. (d) See NOTE at foot of page 4.

TABLE 2. - WEEKLY WAGE RATES : ADULT MALES (a)
INDUSTRY GROUPS, AUSTRALIA, JULY 1966 TO JUNE 1968 (d)

Weighted average minimum weekly rates payable for a full week's work (excluding over-time), as prescribed in awards, determinations, etc., and index numbers of wage rates.

RATES OF WAGE (\$)

Industry group	1966					
	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Mining and quarrying (b)	50.17	50.24	50.54	50.56	50.55	50.34
Manufacturing						
Engineering, metals, vehicles, etc.	41.72	41.74	41.77	41.78	41.78	41.89
Textiles, clothing and footwear	40.63	40.64	40.65	40.65	40.66	40.66
Food, drink and tobacco	42.47	42.51	42.52	42.53	42.56	42.56
Sawmilling, furniture, etc.	41.42	41.49	41.61	41.64	41.64	41.64
Paper, printing, etc.	45.66	45.74	45.76	45.76	45.76	45.76
Other manufacturing	41.72	41.75	41.77	41.85	41.96	41.98
All manufacturing groups	41.94	41.97	42.00	42.02	42.05	42.11
Building and construction	44.17	44.27	44.41	44.43	44.43	44.44
Railway services	41.76	41.82	41.82	41.84	41.84	41.84
Road and air transport	42.60	42.63	42.66	42.81	42.81	42.97
Shipping and stevedoring	41.88	41.90	41.90	41.90	41.90	41.90
Communication	49.69	49.69	49.69	49.69	49.69	49.69
Wholesale and retail trade	42.62	42.67	42.79	42.83	42.85	42.86
Public authority (n.e.i.) and community and business services	42.20	42.26	42.28	42.58	42.58	42.68
Amusement, hotels, personal service, etc.	40.45	40.48	40.48	40.51	40.54	40.54
All industry groups (c)	42.86	42.90	42.96	43.00	43.02	43.05

Industry group	1967					
	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June
Mining and quarrying (b)	50.93	50.91	50.92	50.97	51.09	51.09
Manufacturing						
Engineering, metals, vehicles, etc.	42.52	42.53	42.60	42.63	42.64	42.64
Textiles, clothing and footwear	41.31	41.32	41.37	41.38	41.39	41.39
Food, drink and tobacco	42.99	43.06	43.21	43.32	43.35	43.34
Sawmilling, furniture, etc.	42.05	42.11	42.15	42.33	42.33	42.33
Paper, printing, etc.	46.63	46.64	46.71	46.75	46.78	46.79
Other manufacturing	42.43	42.47	42.57	42.61	42.64	42.68
All manufacturing groups	42.68	42.70	42.78	42.84	42.85	42.86
Building and construction	44.89	45.00	45.04	45.13	45.18	45.20
Railway services	42.30	42.31	42.31	42.45	42.46	42.54
Road and air transport	43.50	43.70	43.92	44.01	44.03	44.04
Shipping and stevedoring	42.63	42.69	42.73	42.75	42.77	42.77
Communication	50.90	50.90	50.90	50.90	50.90	51.65
Wholesale and retail trade	43.16	43.22	43.53	43.63	43.66	43.67
Public authority (n.e.i.) and community and business services	43.14	43.28	43.43	43.51	43.54	43.76
Amusement, hotels, personal service, etc.	40.97	41.01	41.13	41.17	41.18	41.18
All industry groups (c)	43.58	43.62	43.73	43.80	43.82	43.87

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INDUSTRY GROUPS, AUSTRALIA, JULY 1966 TO JUNE 1968 (d) - continued

Weighted average minimum weekly rates payable for a full week's work (excluding over-time), as prescribed in awards, determinations, etc., and index numbers of wage rates.

RATES OF WAGE (\$)

Industry group	1967					
	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Mining and quarrying (b)	52.20	52.21	52.22	52.19	52.29	52.26
Manufacturing						
Engineering, metals, vehicles, etc.	43.65	43.67	43.68	43.71	43.71	43.71
Textiles, clothing and footwear	42.39	42.39	42.40	42.40	42.40	42.40
Food, drink and tobacco	44.34	44.37	44.37	44.37	44.38	44.38
Sawmilling, furniture, etc.	43.30	43.32	43.34	43.35	43.35	43.35
Paper, printing, etc.	47.79	47.80	47.81	47.82	47.83	47.83
Other manufacturing	43.72	43.75	43.76	43.78	43.89	43.89
All manufacturing groups	43.87	43.89	43.90	43.92	43.94	43.94
Building and construction	46.08	46.10	46.14	46.16	46.16	46.16
Railway services	43.50	43.50	43.50	43.50	43.50	43.50
Road and air transport	45.06	45.12	45.12	45.12	45.12	45.16
Shipping and stevedoring	43.82	43.82	43.84	43.84	43.85	43.85
Communication	52.69	52.69	52.69	52.69	52.69	52.69
Wholesale and retail trade	44.70	44.75	44.75	44.78	44.78	44.78
Public authority (n.e.i.) and community and business services	45.39	45.39	45.44	45.45	45.45	45.49
Amusement, hotels, personal service, etc.	42.18	42.22	42.22	42.22	42.31	42.32
All industry groups (c)	44.88	44.91	44.92	44.93	44.95	44.95

Industry group	1968					
	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June
Mining and quarrying (b)	52.31	52.59	52.49	52.49	52.63	52.66
Manufacturing						
Engineering, metals, vehicles, etc.	45.54	45.85	45.89	46.03	46.03	46.05
Textiles, clothing and footwear	42.43	42.43	42.43	42.92	42.96	42.96
Food, drink and tobacco	44.67	44.68	44.68	44.73	44.81	44.81
Sawmilling, furniture, etc.	43.35	43.37	43.50	43.66	43.66	43.71
Paper, printing, etc.	48.01	48.01	49.38	49.39	49.65	49.65
Other manufacturing	44.45	44.45	44.45	44.54	44.61	44.61
All manufacturing groups	44.95	45.10	45.21	45.34	45.39	45.40
Building and construction	46.40	46.45	46.74	47.05	47.18	47.37
Railway services	43.60	43.60	43.60	43.60	43.60	43.61
Road and air transport	45.55	45.59	45.59	45.60	45.60	45.60
Shipping and stevedoring	43.97	43.97	43.98	44.04	44.24	44.25
Communication	55.59	55.66	55.66	55.66	55.75	55.75
Wholesale and retail trade	44.98	44.99	45.00	45.00	45.02	45.04
Public authority (n.e.i.) and community and business services	45.53	45.72	45.73	45.83	45.84	45.84
Amusement, hotels, personal service, etc.	42.49	42.51	42.59	42.59	42.72	42.75
All industry groups (c)	45.64	45.73	45.82	45.93	45.99	46.03

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(Base: Weighted average weekly wage rate, Australia, 1954 = 100)

Industry group	1966					
	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Mining and quarrying (b)	177.6	177.9	178.9	179.0	179.0	178.2
Manufacturing						
Engineering, metals, vehicles, etc.	147.7	147.8	147.9	147.9	147.9	148.3
Textiles, clothing and footwear	143.9	143.9	143.9	143.9	144.0	144.0
Food, drink and tobacco	150.4	150.5	150.5	150.6	150.7	150.7
Sawmilling, furniture, etc.	146.7	146.9	147.3	147.4	147.4	147.4
Paper, printing, etc.	161.7	161.9	162.0	162.0	162.0	162.0
Other manufacturing	147.7	147.8	147.9	148.2	148.6	148.6
All manufacturing groups	148.5	148.6	148.7	148.8	148.9	149.1
Building and construction	156.4	156.7	157.2	157.3	157.3	157.3
Railway services	147.9	148.1	148.1	148.2	148.2	148.2
Road and air transport	150.8	151.0	151.1	151.6	151.6	152.2
Shipping and stevedoring	148.3	148.4	148.4	148.4	148.4	148.4
Communication	176.0	176.0	176.0	176.0	176.0	176.0
Wholesale and retail trade	150.9	151.1	151.5	151.7	151.7	151.8
Public authority (n.e.i.) and community and business services	149.4	149.6	149.7	150.8	150.8	151.1
Amusement, hotels, personal service, etc.	143.2	143.3	143.3	143.5	143.5	143.5
All industry groups (c)	151.7	151.9	152.1	152.3	152.3	152.4

Industry group	1967					
	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June
Mining and quarrying (b)	180.3	180.3	180.3	180.5	180.9	180.9
Manufacturing						
Engineering, metals, vehicles, etc.	150.6	150.6	150.8	150.9	151.0	151.0
Textiles, clothing and footwear	146.3	146.3	146.5	146.5	146.6	146.6
Food, drink and tobacco	152.2	152.5	153.0	153.4	153.5	153.5
Sawmilling, furniture, etc.	148.9	149.1	149.3	149.9	149.9	149.9
Paper, printing, etc.	165.1	165.1	165.4	165.5	165.7	165.7
Other manufacturing	150.2	150.4	150.7	150.9	151.0	151.1
All manufacturing groups	151.1	151.2	151.5	151.7	151.7	151.8
Building and construction	158.9	159.3	159.5	159.8	160.0	160.0
Railway services	149.8	149.8	149.8	150.3	150.3	150.6
Road and air transport	154.0	154.8	155.5	155.8	155.9	156.0
Shipping and stevedoring	150.9	151.1	151.3	151.4	151.4	151.4
Communication	180.2	180.2	180.2	180.2	180.2	182.9
Wholesale and retail trade	152.8	153.0	154.1	154.5	154.6	154.6
Public authority (n.e.i.) and community and business services	152.8	153.2	153.8	154.1	154.2	155.0
Amusement, hotels, personal service, etc.	145.1	145.2	145.6	145.8	145.8	145.8
All industry groups (c)	154.3	154.5	154.8	155.1	155.2	155.3

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(Base : Weighted average weekly wage rate, Australia, 1954 = 100)

Industry group	1967					
	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Mining and quarrying (b)	184.8	184.9	184.9	184.8	185.1	185.0
Manufacturing						
Engineering, metals, vehicles, etc.	154.6	154.6	154.7	154.8	154.8	154.8
Textiles, clothing and footwear	150.1	150.1	150.1	150.1	150.1	150.1
Food, drink and tobacco	157.0	157.1	157.1	157.1	157.1	157.1
Sawmilling, furniture, etc.	153.3	153.4	153.4	153.5	153.5	153.5
Paper, printing, etc.	169.2	169.2	169.3	169.3	169.4	169.4
Other manufacturing	154.8	154.9	154.9	155.0	155.4	155.4
All manufacturing groups	155.3	155.4	155.5	155.5	155.6	155.6
Building and construction	163.2	163.2	163.4	163.4	163.4	163.4
Railway services	154.0	154.0	154.0	154.0	154.0	154.0
Road and air transport	159.5	159.8	159.8	159.8	159.8	159.9
Shipping and stevedoring	155.2	155.2	155.2	155.2	155.3	155.3
Communication	186.6	186.6	186.6	186.6	186.6	186.6
Wholesale and retail trade	158.3	158.4	158.5	158.5	158.5	158.5
Public authority (n.e.i.) and community and business services	160.7	160.7	160.9	160.9	160.9	161.1
Amusement, hotels, personal service, etc.	149.3	149.5	149.5	149.5	149.8	149.8
All industry groups (c)	158.9	159.0	159.0	159.1	159.2	159.2

Industry group	1968					
	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June
Mining and quarrying (b)	185.2	186.2	185.9	185.9	186.3	186.5
Manufacturing						
Engineering, metals, vehicles, etc.	161.3	162.3	162.5	163.0	163.0	163.0
Textiles, clothing and footwear	150.2	150.2	150.2	152.0	152.1	152.1
Food, drink and tobacco	158.2	158.2	158.2	158.4	158.7	158.7
Sawmilling, furniture, etc.	153.5	153.6	154.0	154.6	154.6	154.8
Paper, printing, etc.	170.0	170.0	174.8	174.9	175.8	175.8
Other manufacturing	157.4	157.4	157.4	157.7	157.9	158.0
All manufacturing groups	159.2	159.7	160.1	160.5	160.7	160.7
Building and construction	164.3	164.5	165.5	166.6	167.0	167.7
Railway services	154.4	154.4	154.4	154.4	154.4	154.4
Road and air transport	161.3	161.4	161.4	161.4	161.4	161.4
Shipping and stevedoring	155.7	155.7	155.7	155.9	156.6	156.7
Communication	196.8	197.1	197.1	197.1	197.4	197.4
Wholesale and retail trade	159.3	159.3	159.3	159.3	159.4	159.5
Public authority (n.e.i.) and community and business services	161.2	161.9	161.9	162.3	162.3	162.3
Amusement, hotels, personal service, etc.	150.5	150.5	150.8	150.8	151.3	151.4
All industry groups (c)	161.6	161.9	162.3	162.6	162.8	163.0

(a) See paragraph 10, page 4. (b) For mining, the wage rates include lead bonuses, etc.

(c) Excludes rural. (d) See NOTE at foot of page 4.

TABLE 3. - WEEKLY WAGE RATES : ADULT MALES, ALL GROUPS (a) (b)

Weighted average minimum weekly rates payable for a full week's work (excluding over-time), as prescribed in awards, determinations, etc., and index numbers of wage rates.

End of -		N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
RATES OF WAGE (\$)								
December -								
	1939	10.01	9.71	9.94	9.41	10.05	9.22	9.83
	1945	12.25	12.11	11.81	11.60	12.03	11.56	12.06
	1950	20.62	20.18	19.52	19.79	20.06	19.80	20.20
	1955	30.52	29.56	28.35	28.50	30.01	29.36	29.70
	1960	36.28	34.99	35.07	34.22	35.81	35.15	35.50
	1961	37.34	36.22	35.98	35.46	36.38	36.27	36.58
	1962	37.37	36.37	35.97	35.65	36.57	36.48	36.66
	1963	38.28	37.20	37.00	36.40	37.50	37.29	37.55
	1964	40.27	39.47	39.22	38.69	38.82	39.69	39.65
	1965	41.08	40.34	41.66	39.48	40.49	40.73	40.76
1966	January	41.09	40.34	41.66	39.49	40.89	40.75	40.79
	February	41.13	40.37	41.67	39.51	40.94	40.79	40.82
	March	41.14	40.38	41.67	39.56	41.02	40.90	40.84
	April	41.14	40.47	41.74	39.57	41.05	41.04	40.88
	May	41.14	40.48	42.83	39.58	41.31	41.05	41.05
	June	41.14	40.50	42.84	39.59	42.06	41.10	41.11
	July	43.18	42.67	43.27	41.63	42.40	43.22	42.86
	August	43.18	42.67	43.28	41.68	42.97	43.23	42.90
	September	43.20	42.70	43.50	41.74	43.11	43.24	42.96
	October	43.22	42.73	43.51	41.75	43.35	43.25	43.00
	November	43.25	42.73	43.53	41.75	43.35	43.27	43.02
	December	43.27	42.78	43.56	41.75	43.38	43.27	43.05
1967	January	43.82	43.52	43.73	42.35	43.57	43.81	43.58
	February	43.85	43.53	43.75	42.54	43.73	43.89	43.62
	March	44.08	43.55	43.75	42.55	43.83	43.95	43.73
	April	44.09	43.55	44.16	42.55	43.96	44.00	43.80
	May	44.10	43.55	44.28	42.55	43.98	44.09	43.82
	June	44.14	43.58	44.38	42.60	44.03	44.12	43.87
	July	45.18	44.56	45.46	43.68	44.75	45.22	44.88
	August	45.19	44.56	45.51	43.76	44.83	45.24	44.91
	September	45.19	44.56	45.54	43.76	44.97	45.24	44.92
	October	45.20	44.58	45.54	43.78	44.99	45.29	44.93
	November	45.22	44.59	45.54	43.78	45.06	45.30	44.95
	December	45.22	44.59	45.55	43.78	45.08	45.30	44.95
1968	January	45.97	45.42	45.89	44.63	45.22	46.03	45.64
	February	46.02	45.53	45.96	44.90	45.23	46.44	45.73
	March	46.17	45.60	45.98	44.98	45.26	46.51	45.82
	April	46.35	45.67	46.06	45.04	45.29	46.52	45.93
	May	46.44	45.70	46.09	45.09	45.35	46.54	45.99
	June	46.44	45.73	46.22	45.18	45.37	46.54	46.03

For footnotes see page 11.

TABLE 3. - WEEKLY WAGE RATES : ADULT MALES, ALL GROUPS (a) (b) - continued

Weighted average minimum weekly rates payable for a full week's work (excluding over-time), as prescribed in awards, determinations, etc., and index numbers of wage rates.

End of -		N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
INDEX NUMBERS								
(Base : Weighted average weekly wage rate, Australia, 1954 = 100)								
December -								
	1939	35.4	34.4	35.2	33.3	35.6	32.6	34.8
	1945	43.4	42.9	41.8	41.1	42.6	40.9	42.7
	1950	73.0	71.4	69.1	70.1	71.0	70.1	71.5
	1955	108.1	104.7	100.4	100.9	106.3	104.0	105.2
	1960	128.5	123.9	124.2	121.2	126.8	124.5	125.7
	1961	132.2	128.2	127.4	125.6	128.8	128.4	129.5
	1962	132.3	128.8	127.4	126.2	129.5	129.2	129.8
	1963	135.5	131.7	131.0	128.9	132.8	132.0	133.0
	1964	142.6	139.8	138.9	137.0	137.5	140.5	140.4
	1965	145.5	142.8	147.5	139.8	143.4	144.2	144.3
1966	January	145.5	142.8	147.5	139.8	144.8	144.3	144.4
	February	145.6	142.9	147.5	139.9	145.0	144.4	144.5
	March	145.7	143.0	147.5	140.1	145.2	144.8	144.6
	April	145.7	143.3	147.8	140.1	145.4	145.3	144.8
	May	145.7	143.3	151.7	140.1	146.3	145.4	145.4
	June	145.7	143.4	151.7	140.2	148.9	145.5	145.6
	July	152.9	151.1	153.2	147.4	150.1	153.0	151.7
	August	152.9	151.1	153.3	147.6	152.2	153.1	151.9
	September	153.0	151.2	154.0	147.8	152.6	153.1	152.1
	October	153.0	151.3	154.1	147.8	153.5	153.2	152.3
	November	153.1	151.3	154.1	147.8	153.5	153.2	152.3
	December	153.2	151.5	154.2	147.8	153.6	153.2	152.4
1967	January	155.2	154.1	154.8	150.0	154.3	155.1	154.3
	February	155.3	154.1	154.9	150.6	154.8	155.4	154.5
	March	156.1	154.2	154.9	150.6	155.2	155.6	154.8
	April	156.1	154.2	156.4	150.6	155.6	155.8	155.1
	May	156.2	154.2	156.8	150.7	155.7	156.1	155.2
	June	156.3	154.3	157.2	150.8	155.9	156.2	155.3
	July	160.0	157.8	161.0	154.7	158.4	160.1	158.9
	August	160.0	157.8	161.2	155.0	158.7	160.2	159.0
	September	160.0	157.8	161.2	155.0	159.2	160.2	159.0
	October	160.0	157.8	161.3	155.0	159.3	160.4	159.1
	November	160.1	157.9	161.3	155.0	159.6	160.4	159.2
	December	160.1	157.9	161.3	155.0	159.6	160.4	159.2
1968	January	162.8	160.8	162.5	158.0	160.1	163.0	161.6
	February	162.9	161.2	162.7	159.0	160.1	164.4	161.9
	March	163.5	161.5	162.8	159.3	160.2	164.7	162.3
	April	164.1	161.7	163.1	159.5	160.4	164.7	162.6
	May	164.4	161.8	163.2	159.6	160.6	164.8	162.8
	June	164.4	161.9	163.7	160.0	160.7	164.8	163.0

(a) Excludes rural. See paragraph 10, Page 4. (b) See NOTE at foot of page 4.

TABLE 4. - WEEKLY WAGE RATES : ADULT MALES (a) (c)

COMPONENTS OF WAGE RATE (\$)

Weighted averages of minimum weekly rates payable for a full week's work (excluding over-time), as prescribed in awards, determinations and agreements.

End of-	Commonwealth awards, etc.				State awards, etc.				All awards, etc.			
	Basic wage (b)	Margin	Load-ing	Total (d)	Basic wage (b)	Margin	Load-ing	Total (d)	Basic wage	Margin	Load-ing	Total (d)
NEW SOUTH WALES												
1966 July	33.36	9.14	0.59	43.09	33.50	8.73	1.05	43.28	33.43	8.95	0.81	43.18
Aug.	33.36	9.14	0.59	43.09	33.50	8.74	1.03	43.27	33.43	8.95	0.80	43.18
Sept.	33.36	9.17	0.59	43.12	33.50	8.74	1.04	43.28	33.43	8.97	0.80	43.20
Oct.	33.36	9.17	0.59	43.12	33.50	8.78	1.04	43.32	33.43	8.99	0.80	43.22
Nov.	33.36	9.17	0.59	43.12	33.50	8.85	1.04	43.38	33.43	9.02	0.80	43.25
Dec.	33.36	9.25	0.59	43.20	33.50	8.85	1.00	43.35	33.43	9.06	0.78	43.27
1967 Jan.	33.36	10.03	0.60	43.99	33.50	9.14	0.99	43.62	33.43	9.61	0.79	43.82
Feb.	33.36	10.05	0.60	44.01	33.50	9.19	0.98	43.67	33.43	9.64	0.78	43.85
March	33.36	10.05	0.60	44.02	33.50	9.67	0.98	44.16	33.43	9.87	0.78	44.08
April	33.36	10.05	0.60	44.02	33.50	9.68	0.98	44.16	33.43	9.88	0.78	44.09
May	33.36	10.05	0.60	44.02	33.50	9.70	1.00	44.19	33.43	9.88	0.79	44.10
June	33.36	10.10	0.60	44.07	33.50	9.72	1.00	44.22	33.43	9.92	0.79	44.14
VICTORIA												
1966 July	32.74	8.70	0.75	42.20	32.70	9.91	1.11	43.73	32.73	9.08	0.86	42.67
Aug.	32.74	8.71	0.75	42.20	32.70	9.92	1.11	43.73	32.73	9.08	0.86	42.67
Sept.	32.74	8.75	0.75	42.24	32.70	9.92	1.11	43.73	32.73	9.11	0.86	42.70
Oct.	32.74	8.76	0.77	42.27	32.70	9.95	1.11	43.76	32.73	9.13	0.88	42.73
Nov.	32.74	8.76	0.77	42.27	32.70	9.95	1.11	43.76	32.73	9.13	0.88	42.73
Dec.	32.74	8.84	0.77	42.34	32.70	9.95	1.11	43.76	32.73	9.18	0.88	42.78
1967 Jan.	32.74	9.59	0.74	43.07	32.70	10.79	1.06	44.54	32.73	9.96	0.84	43.52
Feb.	32.74	9.60	0.74	43.08	32.70	10.79	1.06	44.54	32.73	9.97	0.84	43.53
March	32.74	9.60	0.76	43.10	32.70	10.79	1.06	44.54	32.73	9.97	0.85	43.55
April	32.74	9.60	0.76	43.10	32.70	10.79	1.08	44.57	32.73	9.97	0.86	43.55
May	32.74	9.60	0.76	43.10	32.70	10.79	1.08	44.57	32.73	9.97	0.86	43.55
June	32.74	9.63	0.76	43.13	32.70	10.79	1.08	44.57	32.73	9.99	0.86	43.58
QUEENSLAND												
1966 July	31.95	10.43	0.62	43.01	32.79	9.88	0.66	43.33	32.62	9.99	0.65	43.27
Aug.	31.95	10.43	0.62	43.01	32.79	9.90	0.66	43.35	32.62	10.01	0.65	43.28
Sept.	31.95	10.49	0.62	43.07	32.79	9.93	0.88	43.61	32.62	10.04	0.83	43.50
Oct.	31.95	10.49	0.62	43.07	32.79	9.94	0.88	43.62	32.62	10.06	0.83	43.51
Nov.	31.95	10.49	0.62	43.07	32.79	9.97	0.88	43.65	32.62	10.08	0.83	43.53
Dec.	31.95	10.52	0.62	43.10	32.79	10.00	0.88	43.68	32.62	10.10	0.83	43.56
1967 Jan.	31.95	11.36	0.63	43.94	32.79	10.00	0.88	43.68	32.62	10.28	0.83	43.73
Feb.	31.95	11.39	0.63	43.97	32.79	10.01	0.89	43.70	32.62	10.30	0.83	43.75
March	31.95	11.39	0.63	43.97	32.79	10.01	0.89	43.70	32.62	10.30	0.83	43.75
April	31.95	11.39	0.63	43.97	33.29	10.03	0.89	44.21	33.02	10.31	0.83	44.16
May	31.95	11.39	0.63	43.97	33.29	10.18	0.89	44.36	33.02	10.43	0.83	44.28
June	31.95	11.52	0.63	44.11	33.29	10.27	0.89	44.45	33.02	10.53	0.83	44.38

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TABLE 4. - WEEKLY WAGE RATES : ADULT MALES (a) (c)

COMPONENTS OF WAGE RATES (\$) - continued

Weighted averages of minimum weekly rates payable for a full week's work (excluding overtime), as prescribed in awards, determinations and agreements.

End of-	Commonwealth awards, etc.				State awards, etc.				All awards, etc.			
	Basic wage (b)	Margin	Load-ing	Total (d)	Basic wage (b)	Margin	Load-ing	Total (d)	Basic wage	Margin	Load-ing	Total (d)
SOUTH AUSTRALIA												
1966 July	32.35	9.34	0.38	42.07	32.31	7.07	1.25	40.63	32.34	8.65	0.64	41.63
Aug.	32.35	9.34	0.38	42.08	32.31	7.08	1.38	40.76	32.34	8.65	0.68	41.68
Sept.	32.35	9.39	0.38	42.12	32.31	7.15	1.39	40.86	32.34	8.71	0.69	41.74
Oct.	32.35	9.39	0.38	42.12	32.31	7.19	1.39	40.90	32.34	8.72	0.69	41.75
Nov.	32.35	9.39	0.38	42.12	32.31	7.21	1.39	40.91	32.34	8.73	0.69	41.75
Dec.	32.35	9.40	0.38	42.13	32.31	7.21	1.38	40.90	32.34	8.73	0.69	41.75
1967 Jan.	32.35	10.17	0.41	42.93	32.31	7.24	1.49	41.04	32.34	9.28	0.74	42.35
Feb.	32.35	10.19	0.41	42.94	32.31	7.85	1.48	41.63	32.34	9.47	0.73	42.54
March	32.35	10.19	0.41	42.94	32.31	7.85	1.48	41.64	32.34	9.47	0.73	42.55
April	32.35	10.19	0.41	42.94	32.31	7.85	1.48	41.64	32.34	9.47	0.73	42.55
May	32.35	10.19	0.41	42.94	32.31	7.85	1.49	41.65	32.34	9.47	0.74	42.55
June	32.35	10.23	0.41	42.99	32.31	7.89	1.49	41.69	32.34	9.52	0.74	42.60
WESTERN AUSTRALIA												
1966 July	32.83	12.08	0.37	45.28	32.65	8.67	0.70	42.02	32.67	9.07	0.67	42.40
Aug.	32.83	12.08	0.37	45.28	33.26	8.73	0.68	42.67	33.21	9.12	0.65	42.97
Sept.	32.83	12.34	0.37	45.54	33.26	8.83	0.71	42.79	33.21	9.24	0.67	43.11
Oct.	32.83	12.34	0.37	45.54	33.50	8.85	0.71	43.06	33.42	9.26	0.67	43.35
Nov.	32.83	12.34	0.37	45.54	33.50	8.86	0.71	43.07	33.42	9.27	0.67	43.35
Dec.	32.83	12.43	0.37	45.63	33.50	8.87	0.71	43.08	33.42	9.29	0.67	43.38
1967 Jan.	32.83	13.23	0.38	46.43	33.50	8.98	0.71	43.19	33.42	9.48	0.67	43.57
Feb.	32.83	13.27	0.38	46.47	33.50	9.16	0.71	43.37	33.42	9.64	0.67	43.73
March	32.83	13.27	0.38	46.47	33.50	9.27	0.71	43.48	33.42	9.74	0.67	43.83
April	32.83	13.27	0.38	46.47	33.50	9.37	0.75	43.63	33.42	9.83	0.71	43.96
May	32.83	13.27	0.38	46.47	33.50	9.40	0.75	43.66	33.42	9.85	0.71	43.98
June	32.83	13.48	0.38	46.69	33.50	9.42	0.75	43.68	33.42	9.89	0.71	44.03
TASMANIA												
1966 July	33.24	8.45	1.00	42.68	33.39	9.04	1.61	44.04	33.30	8.68	1.24	43.22
Aug.	33.24	8.45	1.00	42.68	33.39	9.07	1.61	44.07	33.30	8.69	1.24	43.23
Sept.	33.24	8.47	1.00	42.71	33.39	9.07	1.61	44.07	33.30	8.71	1.24	43.24
Oct.	33.24	8.47	1.00	42.71	33.39	9.09	1.61	44.09	33.30	8.72	1.24	43.25
Nov.	33.24	8.47	1.00	42.71	33.39	9.13	1.61	44.14	33.30	8.73	1.24	43.27
Dec.	33.24	8.47	1.00	42.71	33.39	9.13	1.61	44.14	33.30	8.73	1.24	43.27
1967 Jan.	33.24	9.18	1.00	43.42	33.39	9.26	1.76	44.41	33.30	9.21	1.30	43.81
Feb.	33.24	9.19	1.00	43.43	33.39	9.46	1.76	44.61	33.30	9.30	1.30	43.89
March	33.24	9.20	1.00	43.43	33.39	9.59	1.76	44.74	33.30	9.35	1.30	43.95
April	33.24	9.20	1.00	43.43	33.39	9.72	1.76	44.87	33.30	9.40	1.30	44.00
May	33.24	9.20	1.00	43.43	33.39	9.95	1.76	45.10	33.30	9.49	1.30	44.09
June	33.24	9.25	1.00	43.48	33.39	9.96	1.76	45.11	33.30	9.53	1.30	44.12

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TABLE 5. - WEEKLY WAGE RATES : ADULT MALES, AUSTRALIA (a) (c)

COMPONENTS OF WAGE RATE (\$)

Weighted averages of minimum weekly rates payable for a full week's work (excluding overtime), as prescribed in awards, determinations and agreements.

End of -	Commonwealth awards, etc.				State awards, etc.				All awards, etc.			
	Basic wage (b)	Margin	Load-ing	Total (d)	Basic wage (b)	Margin	Load-ing	Total (d)	Basic wage	Margin	Load-ing	Total (d)
December -												
1939	7.94	1.72	0.04	9.70	8.19	1.73	0.06	9.98	8.07	1.72	0.04	9.83
1945	9.72	1.93	0.42	12.07	9.81	2.00	0.24	12.05	9.77	1.97	0.32	12.06
1950	16.22	3.57	0.39	20.18	16.17	3.52	0.54	20.23	16.19	3.55	0.46	20.20
1955	23.90	5.27	0.23	29.40	24.47	5.05	0.50	30.02	24.18	5.16	0.36	29.70
1960	27.82	7.01	0.31	35.14	28.52	6.84	0.52	35.88	28.16	6.92	0.42	35.50
1961	28.98	7.07	0.34	36.39	29.34	6.89	0.53	36.76	29.15	6.98	0.45	36.58
1962	28.96	7.12	0.41	36.49	29.31	6.93	0.59	36.83	29.12	7.03	0.51	36.66
1963	28.98	7.89	0.46	37.33	29.50	7.59	0.68	37.77	29.23	7.75	0.57	37.55
1964	30.92	8.09	0.53	39.54	31.07	7.81	0.88	39.76	30.99	7.96	0.70	39.65
1965 June	30.92	8.25	0.53	39.70	31.18	8.30	0.93	40.41	31.04	8.27	0.73	40.04
July	30.92	8.80	0.55	40.27	31.21	8.57	0.91	40.69	31.06	8.69	0.73	40.48
Aug.	30.92	8.86	0.54	40.32	31.21	8.70	0.89	40.80	31.06	8.78	0.71	40.55
Sept.	30.92	8.94	0.55	40.40	31.32	8.72	0.88	40.93	31.11	8.83	0.71	40.65
Oct.	30.92	8.96	0.55	40.43	31.32	8.79	0.88	40.99	31.11	8.88	0.71	40.70
Nov.	30.92	8.96	0.55	40.43	31.34	8.83	0.90	41.07	31.12	8.90	0.71	40.74
Dec.	30.92	8.97	0.55	40.44	31.34	8.86	0.91	41.10	31.12	8.92	0.72	40.76
1966 Jan.	30.92	8.97	0.55	40.44	31.40	8.87	0.91	41.17	31.15	8.92	0.72	40.79
Feb.	30.92	9.00	0.55	40.47	31.40	8.90	0.91	41.20	31.15	8.95	0.72	40.82
March	30.92	9.00	0.56	40.48	31.40	8.92	0.92	41.23	31.15	8.96	0.73	40.84
April	30.92	9.03	0.59	40.53	31.40	8.94	0.92	41.26	31.15	8.99	0.75	40.88
May	30.92	9.03	0.59	40.53	31.72	8.97	0.93	41.61	31.30	9.00	0.75	41.05
June	30.92	9.04	0.59	40.55	31.72	9.06	0.94	41.72	31.30	9.05	0.76	41.11
July	32.92	9.09	0.64	42.65	33.02	9.11	0.96	43.08	32.97	9.10	0.79	42.86
Aug.	32.92	9.09	0.64	42.65	33.10	9.13	0.95	43.18	33.00	9.11	0.79	42.90
Sept.	32.92	9.13	0.64	42.69	33.10	9.15	1.01	43.26	33.00	9.14	0.82	42.96
Oct.	32.92	9.14	0.65	42.70	33.13	9.18	1.01	43.32	33.02	9.16	0.82	43.00
Nov.	32.92	9.14	0.65	42.70	33.13	9.21	1.01	43.35	33.02	9.17	0.82	43.02
Dec.	32.92	9.20	0.65	42.77	33.13	9.22	1.00	43.35	33.02	9.21	0.81	43.05
1967 Jan.	32.92	9.97	0.64	43.53	33.13	9.50	0.99	43.62	33.02	9.74	0.81	43.58
Feb.	32.92	9.99	0.64	43.55	33.13	9.59	0.99	43.70	33.02	9.79	0.81	43.62
March	32.92	9.99	0.65	43.56	33.13	9.79	0.99	43.91	33.02	9.89	0.81	43.73
April	32.92	9.99	0.65	43.56	33.24	9.82	1.00	44.05	33.07	9.91	0.82	43.80
May	32.92	9.99	0.65	43.56	33.24	9.87	1.00	44.11	33.07	9.93	0.82	43.82
June	32.92	10.04	0.65	43.61	33.24	9.90	1.00	44.15	33.07	9.97	0.82	43.87

(a) Excludes rural. See paragraph 10, page 4. For definitions see paragraph 8, page 3.

(b) The basic wage rates shown are weighted averages. See SPECIAL NOTE on page 32 and text on page 33. (c) See NOTE at foot of page 4. (d) The sum of components may not add to figure shown as Total.

TABLE 6. - WEEKLY WAGE RATES : ADULT MALES (a)
COMMONWEALTH AND STATE AWARDS, ETC. (\$)

Weighted average minimum weekly rates payable for a full week's work (excluding over-time), as prescribed in awards, determinations and agreements.

End of -	Commonwealth awards, etc.	State awards, etc.	All awards, etc.	Commonwealth awards, etc.	State awards, etc.	All awards, etc.
	NEW SOUTH WALES			VICTORIA		
1967 July	45.11	45.26	45.18	44.15	45.50	44.56
Aug.	45.11	45.27	45.19	44.15	45.50	44.56
Sept.	45.11	45.27	45.19	44.15	45.50	44.56
Oct.	45.12	45.28	45.20	44.16	45.50	44.58
Nov.	45.16	45.28	45.22	44.17	45.53	44.59
Dec.	45.17	45.28	45.22	44.17	45.53	44.59
1968 Jan.	46.56	45.32	45.97	45.32	45.63	45.42
Feb.	46.62	45.35	46.02	45.49	45.63	45.53
March	46.71	45.56	46.17	45.58	45.65	45.60
April	46.74	45.91	46.35	45.63	45.76	45.67
May	46.80	46.04	46.44	45.66	45.79	45.70
June	46.80	46.04	46.44	45.68	45.84	45.73
	QUEENSLAND			SOUTH AUSTRALIA		
1967 July	45.23	45.52	45.46	44.10	42.73	43.68
Aug.	45.23	45.59	45.51	44.14	42.91	43.76
Sept.	45.23	45.62	45.54	44.14	42.91	43.76
Oct.	45.23	45.62	45.54	44.15	42.93	43.78
Nov.	45.23	45.63	45.54	44.15	42.94	43.78
Dec.	45.24	45.63	45.55	44.15	42.95	43.78
1968 Jan.	46.29	45.79	45.89	45.37	42.96	44.63
Feb.	46.61	45.79	45.96	45.73	42.99	44.90
March	46.69	45.79	45.98	45.86	42.98	44.98
April	46.69	45.89	46.06	45.87	43.16	45.04
May	46.73	45.93	46.09	45.92	43.18	45.09
June	46.73	46.09	46.22	46.05	43.18	45.18
	WESTERN AUSTRALIA			TASMANIA		
1967 July	47.84	44.34	44.75	44.57	46.23	45.22
Aug.	47.84	44.43	44.83	44.57	46.28	45.24
Sept.	47.84	44.59	44.97	44.57	46.28	45.24
Oct.	47.84	44.61	44.99	44.57	46.42	45.29
Nov.	47.84	44.70	45.06	44.57	46.43	45.30
Dec.	47.84	44.71	45.08	44.57	46.43	45.30
1968 Jan.	48.82	44.74	45.22	45.30	47.15	46.03
Feb	48.85	44.75	45.23	45.59	47.76	46.44
March	48.99	44.76	45.26	45.70	47.76	46.51
April	48.99	44.80	45.29	45.73	47.76	46.52
May	49.09	44.85	45.35	45.75	47.76	46.54
June	49.09	44.88	45.37	45.75	47.76	46.54

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TABLE 7. - WEEKLY WAGE RATES : ADULT MALES, AUSTRALIA (a)

COMMONWEALTH AND STATE AWARDS, ETC. (\$)

Weighted average minimum weekly rates payable for a full week's work (excluding over-time), as prescribed in awards, determinations and agreements.

End of -	Common-wealth awards, etc.	State awards, etc.	All awards, etc.	End of -	Common-wealth awards, etc.	State awards, etc.	All awards, etc.
December							
1939	9.70	9.98	9.83	1966 July	42.65	43.08	42.86
1945	12.07	12.05	12.06	August	42.65	43.18	42.90
1955	29.40	30.02	29.70	September	42.69	43.26	42.96
1960	35.14	35.88	35.50	October	42.70	43.32	43.00
1961	36.39	36.76	36.58	November	42.70	43.35	43.02
1962	36.49	36.83	36.66	December	42.77	43.35	43.05
1963	37.33	37.77	37.55				
1964	39.54	39.76	39.65	1967 January	43.53	43.62	43.58
1965	40.44	41.10	40.76	February	43.55	43.70	43.62
1966	42.77	43.35	43.05	March	43.56	43.91	43.73
				April	43.56	44.05	43.80
1965 June	39.70	40.41	40.04	May	43.56	44.11	43.82
July	40.27	40.69	40.48	June	43.61	44.15	43.87
August	40.32	40.80	40.55	July	44.66	45.13	44.88
September	40.40	40.93	40.65	August	44.66	45.17	44.91
October	40.43	40.99	40.70	September	44.66	45.20	44.92
November	40.43	41.07	40.74	October	44.68	45.21	44.93
December	40.44	41.10	40.76	November	44.69	45.23	44.95
				December	44.69	45.23	44.95
1966 January	40.44	41.17	40.79				
February	40.47	41.20	40.82	1968 January	45.93	45.32	45.64
March	40.48	41.23	40.84	February	46.08	45.35	45.73
April	40.53	41.26	40.88	March	46.18	45.44	45.82
May	40.53	41.61	41.05	April	46.22	45.63	45.93
June	40.55	41.72	41.11	May	46.26	45.70	45.99
				June	46.29	45.75	46.03

(a) Excludes rural. See paragraph 10, page 4. For definitions see paragraph 8, page 3. Figures for July 1967 and subsequent months are subject to revision - see paragraph 13, page 4. See also NOTE at foot of page 4.

TABLE 8. - HOURLY WAGE RATES : ADULT MALES (a)

INDUSTRY GROUPS, 30 JUNE 1968 (d)

Weighted average minimum hourly rates payable and index numbers of hourly rates.

Industry group	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
RATES OF WAGE (Cents)							
Mining and quarrying (b)	138.72	113.26	141.41	110.00	121.75	122.80	133.26
Manufacturing							
Engineering, metals, vehicles, etc.	114.45	115.35	117.21	114.72	114.39	121.11	115.12
Textiles, clothing and footwear	108.25	107.18	107.73	104.32	107.05	105.49	107.41
Food, drink and tobacco	112.02	114.03	112.00	106.02	111.16	109.27	112.07
Sawmilling, furniture, etc.	111.57	106.12	110.25	106.75	109.46	107.66	109.29
Paper, printing, etc.	123.04	124.12	131.33	124.00	135.21	115.55	124.30
Other manufacturing	112.36	111.49	110.04	111.47	108.42	112.49	111.58
All manufacturing groups	113.67	113.37	114.30	112.72	112.53	114.38	113.52
Building and construction	119.59	121.32	112.84	117.47	116.48	119.61	118.42
Railway services	110.85	103.00	113.39	106.41	106.60	113.71	109.04
Road and air transport	117.36	113.15	107.41	110.42	114.52	114.04	113.99
Communication	139.88	139.75	138.61	139.84	139.38	137.03	139.53
Wholesale and retail trade	112.36	112.87	114.75	110.13	111.18	114.68	112.60
Public authority (n.e.i.) and community and business services	120.00	115.80	117.10	110.59	110.82	125.12	116.80
Amusement, hotels, personal service, etc.	109.75	105.23	105.45	102.02	105.56	107.23	106.87
All industry groups (c)	116.38	114.49	115.79	113.11	113.82	116.81	115.31

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(Base : Weighted average hourly wage rate, Australia, 1954 = 100)

Mining and quarrying (b)	196.1	160.1	199.9	155.5	172.1	173.6	188.4
Manufacturing							
Engineering, metals, vehicles, etc.	161.8	163.0	165.7	162.1	161.7	171.2	162.7
Textiles, clothing and footwear	153.0	151.5	152.3	147.4	151.3	149.1	151.8
Food, drink and tobacco	158.3	161.2	158.3	149.8	157.1	154.4	158.4
Sawmilling, furniture, etc.	157.7	150.0	155.8	150.9	154.7	152.2	154.5
Paper, printing, etc.	173.9	175.4	185.6	175.3	191.1	163.3	175.7
Other manufacturing	158.8	157.6	155.5	157.6	153.2	159.0	157.7
All manufacturing groups	160.7	160.2	161.6	159.3	159.1	161.7	160.5
Building and construction	169.0	171.5	159.5	166.0	164.6	169.1	167.4
Railway services	156.7	145.6	160.3	150.4	150.7	160.7	154.1
Road and air transport	165.9	159.9	151.8	156.1	161.9	161.2	161.1
Communication	197.7	197.5	195.9	197.7	197.0	193.7	197.2
Wholesale and retail trade	158.8	159.5	162.2	155.7	157.1	162.1	159.2
Public authority (n.e.i.) and community and business services	169.6	163.7	165.5	156.3	156.6	176.9	165.1
Amusement, hotels, personal service, etc.	155.1	148.7	149.0	144.2	149.2	151.6	151.1
All industry groups (c)	164.5	161.8	163.7	159.9	160.9	165.1	163.0

(a) See paragraph 10, page 4. (b) For mining, the wage rates include lead bonuses, etc. (c) Excludes rural, and shipping and stevedoring. The former is not included in the Wage Rates Index and for the latter definite particulars for the computation of hourly wage rates are not available. (d) See NOTE at foot of page 4.

TABLE 9. - HOURLY WAGE RATES : ADULT MALES (a)
INDUSTRY GROUPS, AUSTRALIA, JULY 1966 TO JUNE 1968 (d)

Weighted average minimum hourly rates payable and index numbers of hourly rates.

RATES OF WAGE (Cents)

Industry group	1966					
	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Mining and quarrying (b)	126.95	127.14	127.89	127.94	127.93	127.39
Manufacturing						
Engineering, metals, vehicles, etc.	104.29	104.35	104.41	104.44	104.44	104.71
Textiles, clothing and footwear	101.58	101.60	101.62	101.62	101.64	101.64
Food, drink and tobacco	106.22	106.31	106.34	106.37	106.45	106.46
Sawmilling, furniture, etc.	103.56	103.74	104.04	104.10	104.10	104.10
Paper, printing, etc.	114.29	114.49	114.54	114.56	114.56	114.56
Other manufacturing	104.33	104.42	104.47	104.66	104.93	104.99
All manufacturing groups	104.87	104.96	105.03	105.08	105.15	105.29
Building and construction	110.43	110.67	111.02	111.08	111.08	111.09
Railway services	104.42	104.57	104.57	104.63	104.63	104.63
Road and air transport	106.50	106.58	106.66	107.01	107.01	107.43
Communication	124.38	124.38	124.38	124.38	124.38	124.38
Wholesale and retail trade	106.55	106.68	106.98	107.09	107.12	107.16
Public authority (n.e.i.) and community and business services	107.52	107.68	107.71	108.49	108.49	108.73
Amusement, hotels, personal service, etc.	101.13	101.21	101.21	101.28	101.35	101.35
All industry groups (c)	107.32	107.44	107.60	107.69	107.73	107.81

Industry group	1967					
	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June
Mining and quarrying (b)	128.88	128.84	128.86	128.98	129.29	129.29
Manufacturing						
Engineering, metals, vehicles, etc.	106.31	106.33	106.50	106.57	106.60	106.60
Textiles, clothing and footwear	103.29	103.30	103.42	103.44	103.48	103.48
Food, drink and tobacco	107.54	107.70	108.06	108.34	108.42	108.41
Sawmilling, furniture, etc.	105.13	105.27	105.38	105.82	105.82	105.82
Paper, printing, etc.	116.72	116.74	116.92	117.02	117.11	117.11
Other manufacturing	106.11	106.21	106.47	106.58	106.64	106.75
All manufacturing groups	106.71	106.78	106.98	107.12	107.16	107.18
Building and construction	112.22	112.49	112.60	112.83	112.96	112.99
Railway services	105.78	105.79	105.80	106.16	106.17	106.36
Road and air transport	108.74	109.26	109.81	110.02	110.09	110.11
Communication	127.41	127.41	127.41	127.41	127.41	129.27
Wholesale and retail trade	107.91	108.06	108.82	109.07	109.15	109.17
Public authority (n.e.i.) and community and business services	109.91	110.26	110.64	110.84	110.93	111.50
Amusement, hotels, personal service, etc.	102.42	102.52	102.82	102.91	102.96	102.96
All industry groups (c)	109.12	109.24	109.51	109.68	109.75	109.86

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TABLE 9. - HOURLY WAGE RATES : ADULT MALES (a)
INDUSTRY GROUPS, AUSTRALIA, JULY 1966 TO JUNE 1968 (d) - continued

Weighted average minimum hourly rates payable and index numbers of hourly rates.

RATES OF WAGE (Cents)

Industry group	1967					
	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Mining and quarrying (b)	132.10	132.12	132.14	132.07	132.32	132.25
Manufacturing						
Engineering, metals, vehicles, etc.	109.13	109.18	109.21	109.27	109.27	109.27
Textiles, clothing and footwear	105.98	105.98	105.99	105.99	105.99	105.99
Food, drink and tobacco	110.90	110.97	110.97	110.97	111.00	111.01
Sawmilling, furniture, etc.	108.25	108.31	108.34	108.38	108.38	108.38
Paper, printing, etc.	119.64	119.65	119.68	119.72	119.73	119.73
Other manufacturing	109.34	109.41	109.44	109.49	109.76	109.76
All manufacturing groups	109.71	109.75	109.78	109.82	109.88	109.88
Building and construction	115.21	115.25	115.35	115.39	115.40	115.40
Railway services	108.77	108.77	108.77	108.78	108.78	108.78
Road and air transport	112.64	112.80	112.80	112.80	112.80	112.90
Communication	131.88	131.88	131.88	131.88	131.88	131.88
Wholesale and retail trade	111.76	111.87	111.88	111.94	111.94	111.94
Public authority (n.e.i.) and community and business services	115.64	115.64	115.77	115.79	115.79	115.90
Amusement, hotels, personal service, etc.	105.45	105.56	105.56	105.56	105.78	105.79
All industry groups (c)	112.40	112.46	112.49	112.52	112.57	112.57

Industry group	1968					
	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June
Mining and quarrying (b)	132.38	133.09	132.84	132.84	133.17	133.26
Manufacturing						
Engineering, metals, vehicles, etc.	113.85	114.61	114.73	115.07	115.09	115.12
Textiles, clothing and footwear	106.07	106.07	106.07	107.29	107.41	107.41
Food, drink and tobacco	111.73	111.74	111.75	111.88	112.07	112.07
Sawmilling, furniture, etc.	108.38	108.42	108.76	109.14	109.14	109.29
Paper, printing, etc.	120.18	120.18	123.60	123.62	124.30	124.30
Other manufacturing	111.17	111.17	111.17	111.40	111.56	111.58
All manufacturing groups	112.41	112.77	113.04	113.38	113.49	113.52
Building and construction	116.00	116.13	116.85	117.62	117.94	118.42
Railway services	109.02	109.02	109.02	109.03	109.03	109.04
Road and air transport	113.89	113.97	113.99	113.99	113.99	113.99
Communication	139.15	139.31	139.31	139.31	139.53	139.53
Wholesale and retail trade	112.44	112.47	112.50	112.50	112.55	112.60
Public authority (n.e.i.) and community and business services	115.99	116.49	116.52	116.77	116.80	116.80
Amusement, hotels, personal service, etc.	106.23	106.29	106.47	106.47	106.80	106.87
All industry groups (c)	114.32	114.57	114.81	115.09	115.22	115.31

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TABLE 9. - HOURLY WAGE RATES : ADULT MALES (a)
 INDUSTRY GROUPS, AUSTRALIA, JULY 1966 TO JUNE 1968 (d) - continued

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(Base : Weighted average hourly wage rate, Australia, 1954 = 100)

Industry group	1966					
	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Mining and quarrying (b)	179.4	179.7	180.8	180.8	180.8	180.1
Manufacturing						
Engineering, metals, vehicles, etc.	147.4	147.5	147.6	147.6	147.6	148.0
Textiles, clothing and footwear	143.6	143.6	143.6	143.6	143.7	143.7
Food, drink and tobacco	150.1	150.3	150.3	150.3	150.5	150.5
Sawmilling, furniture, etc.	146.4	146.6	147.0	147.1	147.1	147.1
Paper, printing, etc.	161.5	161.8	161.9	161.9	161.9	161.9
Other manufacturing	147.5	147.6	147.7	147.9	148.3	148.4
All manufacturing groups	148.2	148.3	148.4	148.5	148.6	148.8
Building and construction	156.1	156.4	156.9	157.0	157.0	157.0
Railway services	147.6	147.8	147.8	147.9	147.9	147.9
Road and air transport	150.5	150.6	150.8	151.3	151.3	151.8
Communication	175.8	175.8	175.8	175.8	175.8	175.8
Wholesale and retail trade	150.6	150.8	151.2	151.4	151.4	151.5
Public authority (n.e.i.) and Community and business services	152.0	152.2	152.2	153.3	153.3	153.7
Amusement, hotels, personal service, etc.	142.9	143.1	143.1	143.2	143.2	143.2
All industry groups (c)	151.7	151.9	152.1	152.2	152.3	152.4

Industry group	1967					
	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June
Mining and quarrying (b)	182.2	182.1	182.1	182.3	182.7	182.7
Manufacturing						
Engineering, metals, vehicles, etc.	150.3	150.3	150.5	150.6	150.7	150.7
Textiles, clothing and footwear	146.0	146.0	146.2	146.2	146.3	146.3
Food, drink and tobacco	152.0	152.2	152.7	153.1	153.2	153.2
Sawmilling, furniture, etc.	148.6	148.8	148.9	149.6	149.6	149.6
Paper, printing, etc.	165.0	165.0	165.3	165.4	165.5	165.5
Other manufacturing	150.0	150.1	150.5	150.6	150.7	150.9
All manufacturing groups	150.8	150.9	151.2	151.4	151.5	151.5
Building and construction	158.6	159.0	159.1	159.5	159.7	159.7
Railway services	149.5	149.5	149.5	150.0	150.1	150.3
Road and air transport	153.7	154.4	155.2	155.5	155.6	155.6
Communication	180.1	180.1	180.1	180.1	180.1	182.7
Wholesale and retail trade	152.5	152.7	153.8	154.2	154.3	154.3
Public authority (n.e.i.) and Community and business services	155.4	155.8	156.4	156.7	156.8	157.6
Amusement, hotels, personal service, etc.	144.8	144.9	145.3	145.5	145.5	145.5
All industry groups (c)	154.2	154.4	154.8	155.0	155.1	155.3

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TABLE 9. - HOURLY WAGE RATES : ADULT MALES (a)
 INDUSTRY GROUPS, AUSTRALIA, JULY 1966 TO JUNE 1968 (d) - continued

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(Base : Weighted average hourly wage rate, Australia, 1954 = 100)

Industry group	1967					
	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Mining and quarrying (b)	186.7	186.7	186.8	186.7	187.0	186.9
Manufacturing						
Engineering, metals, vehicles, etc.	154.2	154.3	154.4	154.4	154.4	154.4
Textiles, clothing and footwear	149.8	149.8	149.8	149.8	149.8	149.8
Food, drink and tobacco	156.8	156.8	156.9	156.9	156.9	156.9
Sawmilling, furniture, etc.	153.0	153.1	153.1	153.2	153.2	153.2
Paper, printing, etc.	169.1	169.1	169.2	169.2	169.2	169.2
Other manufacturing	154.5	154.6	154.7	154.8	155.1	155.1
All manufacturing groups	155.1	155.1	155.2	155.2	155.3	155.3
Building and construction	162.8	162.9	163.0	163.1	163.1	163.1
Railway services	153.7	153.7	153.7	153.8	153.8	153.8
Road and air transport	159.2	159.4	159.4	159.4	159.4	159.6
Communication	186.4	186.4	186.4	186.4	186.4	186.4
Wholesale and retail trade	158.0	158.1	158.1	158.2	158.2	158.2
Public authority (n.e.i.) and community and business services	163.5	163.5	163.6	163.7	163.7	163.8
Amusement, hotels, personal service, etc.	149.0	149.2	149.2	149.2	149.5	149.5
All industry groups(c)	158.9	159.0	159.0	159.0	159.1	159.1

Industry group	1968					
	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June
Mining and quarrying (b)	187.1	188.1	187.8	187.8	188.2	188.4
Manufacturing						
Engineering, metals, vehicles, etc.	160.9	162.0	162.2	162.6	162.7	162.7
Textiles, clothing and footwear	149.9	149.9	149.9	151.6	151.8	151.8
Food, drink and tobacco	157.9	157.9	157.9	158.1	158.4	158.4
Sawmilling, furniture, etc.	153.2	153.2	153.7	154.3	154.3	154.5
Paper, printing, etc.	169.9	169.9	174.7	174.7	175.7	175.7
Other manufacturing	157.1	157.1	157.1	157.5	157.7	157.7
All manufacturing groups	158.9	159.4	159.8	160.3	160.4	160.5
Building and construction	164.0	164.1	165.2	166.3	166.7	167.4
Railway services	154.1	154.1	154.1	154.1	154.1	154.1
Road and air transport	161.0	161.1	161.1	161.1	161.1	161.1
Communication	196.7	196.9	196.9	196.9	197.2	197.2
Wholesale and retail trade	158.9	159.0	159.0	159.0	159.1	159.2
Public authority (n.e.i.) and community and business services	163.9	164.7	164.7	165.0	165.1	165.1
Amusement, hotels, personal service, etc.	150.1	150.2	150.5	150.5	151.0	151.1
All industry groups (c)	161.6	161.9	162.3	162.7	162.9	163.0

(a) See paragraph 10, page 4. (b) For mining, the wage rates include lead bonuses, etc.
 (c) Excludes rural, and shipping and stevedoring. The former is not included in the
 Wage Rates Indexes and for the latter definite particulars for the computation of
 hourly wage rates are not available. (d) See NOTE at foot of page 4.

TABLE 10. - HOURLY WAGE RATES : ADULT MALES, ALL GROUPS (a) (b)

Weighted average minimum hourly rates payable and index numbers of hourly rates.

End of -		N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
RATES OF WAGE (Cents)								
December -								
	1939	22.90	22.03	22.91	21.21	22.62	20.95	22.42
	1945	28.03	27.54	27.19	26.43	27.36	26.42	27.54
	1950	51.63	50.48	48.83	49.53	50.29	49.52	50.58
	1955	76.57	74.06	71.02	71.40	75.42	73.71	74.47
	1960	90.91	87.57	87.79	85.61	89.89	88.08	88.92
	1961	93.57	90.63	90.04	88.72	91.27	90.86	91.59
	1962	93.62	91.01	90.00	89.23	91.77	91.42	91.80
	1963	95.87	93.09	92.59	91.07	94.09	93.40	94.01
	1964	100.89	98.78	98.15	96.81	97.37	99.46	99.28
	1965	102.91	100.95	104.35	98.78	101.56	102.11	102.07
1966	January	102.93	100.95	104.35	98.79	102.58	102.16	102.15
	February	103.03	101.01	104.37	98.86	102.71	102.26	102.23
	March	102.04	101.06	104.38	98.99	102.92	102.56	102.28
	April	103.05	101.28	104.56	99.01	103.01	102.91	102.39
	May	103.06	101.31	107.35	99.03	103.67	102.94	102.82
	June	103.06	101.35	107.37	99.05	105.59	103.07	102.98
	July	108.16	106.79	108.34	104.17	106.33	108.39	107.32
	August	108.16	106.80	108.38	104.27	107.80	108.42	107.44
	September	108.21	106.86	108.93	104.43	108.16	108.46	107.60
	October	108.26	106.95	108.96	104.46	108.77	108.49	107.69
	November	108.33	106.95	109.02	104.47	108.78	108.53	107.73
	December	108.40	107.08	109.09	104.47	108.84	108.53	107.81
1967	January	109.76	108.93	109.48	105.96	109.28	109.87	109.12
	February	109.83	108.95	109.54	106.45	109.69	110.08	109.24
	March	110.42	108.98	109.54	106.45	109.96	110.22	109.51
	April	110.44	109.00	110.59	106.45	110.27	110.35	109.68
	May	110.47	109.00	110.90	106.46	110.34	110.57	109.75
	June	110.56	109.06	111.16	106.58	110.45	110.66	109.86
	July	113.18	111.53	113.85	109.30	112.24	113.42	112.40
	August	113.18	111.53	113.98	109.51	112.45	113.47	112.46
	September	113.19	111.53	114.04	109.51	112.80	113.47	112.49
	October	113.21	111.56	114.06	109.55	112.86	113.61	112.52
	November	113.27	111.58	114.06	109.56	113.05	113.63	112.57
	December	113.27	111.58	114.07	109.56	113.09	113.63	112.57
1968	January	115.20	113.71	114.96	111.73	113.45	115.48	114.32
	February	115.32	114.00	115.13	112.41	113.47	116.57	114.57
	March	115.70	114.17	115.18	112.63	113.54	116.74	114.81
	April	116.16	114.35	115.38	112.80	113.62	116.79	115.09
	May	116.38	114.40	115.47	112.80	113.76	116.81	115.22
	June	116.38	114.49	115.79	113.11	113.82	116.81	115.31

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TABLE 10. - HOURLY WAGE RATES : ADULT MALES, ALL GROUPS (a) (b) - continued

Weighted average minimum hourly rates payable and index numbers of hourly rates.

End of -	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
INDEX NUMBERS (Base : Weighted average hourly wage rate, Australia, 1954 = 100)							
December -							
1939	32.4	31.1	32.4	30.0	32.0	29.6	31.7
1945	39.6	38.9	38.4	37.4	38.7	37.3	38.9
1950	73.0	71.4	69.0	70.0	71.1	70.0	71.5
1955	108.2	104.7	100.4	100.9	106.6	104.2	105.3
1960	128.5	123.8	124.1	121.0	127.1	124.5	125.7
1961	132.3	128.1	127.3	125.4	129.0	128.4	129.5
1962	132.3	128.6	127.2	126.1	129.7	129.2	129.8
1963	135.5	131.6	130.9	128.7	133.0	132.0	132.9
1964	142.6	139.6	138.7	136.8	137.6	140.6	140.3
1965	145.5	142.7	147.5	139.6	143.5	144.3	144.3
1966 January	145.5	142.7	147.5	139.6	145.0	144.4	144.4
February	145.6	142.8	147.5	139.7	145.2	144.5	144.5
March	145.6	142.8	147.5	139.9	145.5	145.0	144.6
April	145.7	143.2	147.8	139.9	145.6	145.5	144.7
May	145.7	143.2	151.7	140.0	146.5	145.5	145.3
June	145.7	143.3	151.8	140.0	149.2	145.7	145.6
July	152.9	150.9	153.1	147.2	150.3	153.2	151.7
August	152.9	150.9	153.2	147.4	152.4	153.2	151.9
September	152.9	151.0	154.0	147.6	152.9	153.3	152.1
October	153.0	151.2	154.0	147.6	153.7	153.3	152.2
November	153.1	151.2	154.1	147.7	153.8	153.4	152.3
December	153.2	151.3	154.2	147.7	153.8	153.4	152.4
1967 January	155.1	154.0	154.7	149.8	154.5	155.3	154.2
February	155.2	154.0	154.8	150.5	155.0	155.6	154.4
March	156.1	154.0	154.8	150.5	155.4	155.8	154.8
April	156.1	154.1	156.3	150.5	155.9	156.0	155.0
May	156.1	154.1	156.7	150.5	156.0	156.3	155.1
June	156.3	154.2	157.1	150.6	156.1	156.4	155.3
July	160.0	157.6	160.9	154.5	158.6	160.3	158.9
August	160.0	157.6	161.1	154.8	158.9	160.4	159.0
September	160.0	157.6	161.2	154.8	159.4	160.4	159.0
October	160.0	157.7	161.2	154.8	159.5	160.6	159.0
November	160.1	157.7	161.2	154.9	159.8	160.6	159.1
December	160.1	157.7	161.2	154.9	159.8	160.6	159.1
1968 January	162.8	160.7	162.5	157.9	160.3	163.2	161.6
February	163.0	161.1	162.7	158.9	160.4	164.8	161.9
March	163.5	161.4	162.8	159.2	160.5	165.0	162.3
April	164.2	161.6	163.1	159.4	160.6	165.1	162.7
May	164.5	161.7	163.2	159.6	160.8	165.1	162.9
June	164.5	161.8	163.7	159.9	160.9	165.1	163.0

(a) See paragraph 10, page 4. Excludes rural, and shipping and stevedoring. The former is not included in the Wage Rates Indexes and for the latter definite particulars for the computation of hourly wage rates are not available. (b) See NOTE at foot of page 4.

TABLE 11 - WEEKLY WAGE RATES : ADULT FEMALES (a)

INDUSTRY GROUPS, 30 JUNE 1968 (c)

Weighted average minimum weekly rates payable for a full week's work (excluding over-time), as prescribed in awards, determinations, etc.; and index numbers of wage rates.

Industry group	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
RATES OF WAGE (\$)							
Engineering, metals, vehicles, etc.	32.99	32.05	31.95	30.84	31.32	31.65	32.35
Textiles, clothing and footwear	31.06	30.60	31.04	30.88	30.96	29.98	30.81
Food, drink and tobacco	33.12	31.08	31.55	30.17	30.32	29.66	31.70
Other manufacturing	32.28	31.54	32.93	30.87	31.29	30.77	31.94
All manufacturing groups	31.99	31.04	31.67	30.74	30.93	30.15	31.45
Transport and communication	35.75	34.74	35.47	34.73	35.35	35.18	35.29
Wholesale and retail trade	34.95	34.47	33.71	32.22	32.95	32.77	34.18
Public authority (n.e.i.) and community and business services	36.27	34.23	33.43	32.24	31.58	36.17	34.67
Amusement, hotels, personal service, etc.	33.23	31.40	31.52	29.01	33.91	31.21	32.27
All industry groups (b)	33.51	32.26	32.86	31.43	32.53	31.85	32.79

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(Base : Weighted average weekly wage rate, Australia, 1954 = 100)

Engineering, metals, vehicles, etc.	165.7	161.0	160.5	154.9	157.3	159.0	162.5
Textiles, clothing and footwear	156.0	153.7	155.9	155.1	155.5	150.6	154.8
Food, drink and tobacco	166.4	156.1	158.5	151.6	152.3	149.0	159.2
Other manufacturing	162.1	158.5	165.4	155.0	157.2	154.6	160.4
All manufacturing groups	160.7	155.9	159.1	154.4	155.4	151.4	158.0
Transport and communication	179.6	174.5	178.2	174.4	177.6	176.7	177.3
Wholesale and retail trade	175.6	173.1	169.3	161.8	165.5	164.6	171.7
Public authority (n.e.i.) and community and business services	182.2	171.9	167.9	162.0	158.6	181.7	174.1
Amusement, hotels, personal service, etc.	166.9	157.7	158.3	145.7	170.3	156.8	162.1
All industry groups (b)	168.3	162.0	165.1	157.9	163.4	160.0	164.7

(a) See paragraph 10, page 4. (b) Excludes rural; mining and quarrying; and building and construction. (c) See NOTE at foot of page 4.

TABLE 12. - WEEKLY WAGE RATES : ADULT FEMALES (a)
INDUSTRY GROUPS, SEPTEMBER 1966 TO JUNE 1968 (c)

Weighted average minimum weekly rates payable for a full week's work (excluding over-time), as prescribed in awards, determinations, etc.; and index numbers of wage rates.

RATES OF WAGE (\$)

Industry group	1966		1967		
	Sept.	Dec.	March	June	July
Engineering, metals, vehicles, etc.	30.09	30.09	30.48	30.72	31.75
Textiles, clothing and footwear	28.75	28.75	29.08	29.60	30.59
Food, drink and tobacco	29.79	29.87	30.20	30.43	31.42
Other manufacturing	29.99	30.03	30.40	30.58	31.59
All manufacturing groups	29.39	29.41	29.76	30.12	31.13
Transport and communication	33.04	33.07	33.75	33.86	35.06
Wholesale and retail trade	32.23	33.26	32.73	33.05	34.08
Public authority (n.e.i.) and community and business services	32.10	32.40	33.01	33.19	34.32
Amusement, hotels, personal service, etc.	29.72	29.74	30.10	30.18	31.22
All industry groups (b)	30.65	30.70	31.13	31.41	32.45

Industry group	1967				
	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Engineering, metals, vehicles etc.	31.82	31.82	31.82	31.82	31.82
Textiles, clothing and footwear	30.60	30.60	30.60	30.60	30.60
Food, drink and tobacco	31.46	31.46	31.47	31.47	31.47
Other manufacturing	31.63	31.64	31.64	31.64	31.64
All manufacturing groups	31.15	31.15	31.15	31.15	31.15
Transport and communication	35.28	35.29	35.29	35.29	35.29
Wholesale and retail trade	34.13	34.13	34.13	34.13	34.13
Public Authority (n.e.i.) and community and business services	34.58	34.58	34.58	34.60	34.60
Amusement, hotels, personal service, etc.	31.28	31.28	31.28	31.29	31.29
All industry groups (b)	32.52	32.52	32.52	32.53	32.53

Industry group	1968					
	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June
Engineering, metals, vehicles, etc.	32.32	32.35	32.35	32.35	32.35	32.35
Textiles, clothing and footwear	30.60	30.60	30.60	30.81	30.81	30.81
Food, drink and tobacco	31.60	31.60	31.60	31.61	31.70	31.70
Other manufacturing	31.73	31.73	31.93	31.93	31.94	31.94
All manufacturing groups	31.28	31.28	31.33	31.43	31.45	31.45
Transport and communication	35.29	35.29	35.29	35.29	35.29	35.29
Wholesale and retail trade	34.13	34.13	34.18	34.18	34.18	34.18
Public Authority (n.e.i.) and community and business services	34.63	34.63	34.63	34.63	34.67	34.67
Amusement, hotels, personal service, etc.	32.04	32.06	32.13	32.13	32.25	32.27
All industry groups (b)	32.67	32.67	32.71	32.76	32.79	32.79

(a) See paragraph 10, page 4. (b) Excludes rural; mining and quarrying; and building and construction. (c) See NOTE at foot of page 4.

TABLE 12. - WEEKLY WAGE RATES : ADULT FEMALES (a)

INDUSTRY GROUPS, AUSTRALIA SEPTEMBER 1966 TO JUNE 1968 (c) - continued

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(Base : Weighted average weekly wage rate, Australia, 1954 = 100)

Industry group	1966		1967		
	Sept.	Dec.	March	June	July
Engineering, metals, vehicles, etc.	151.1	151.2	153.1	154.3	159.5
Textiles, clothing and footwear	144.4	144.4	146.1	148.7	153.7
Food, drink and tobacco	149.6	150.0	151.7	152.8	157.9
Other manufacturing	150.6	150.9	152.7	153.6	158.7
All manufacturing groups	147.6	147.7	149.5	151.3	156.3
Transport and communication	165.9	166.1	169.5	170.1	176.1
Wholesale and retail trade	161.9	162.1	164.4	166.0	171.2
Public authority (n.e.i.) and community and business services	161.2	162.8	165.8	166.7	172.4
Amusement, hotels, personal service, etc.	149.3	149.4	151.2	151.6	156.8
All industry groups (b)	153.9	154.2	156.3	157.8	163.0

Industry group	1967				
	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Engineering, metals, vehicles, etc.	159.8	159.8	159.8	159.8	159.8
Textiles, clothing and footwear	153.7	153.7	153.7	153.7	153.7
Food, drink and tobacco	158.0	158.0	158.1	158.1	158.1
Other manufacturing	158.9	158.9	158.9	159.0	159.0
All manufacturing groups	156.5	156.5	156.5	156.5	156.5
Transport and communication	177.2	177.3	177.3	177.3	177.3
Wholesale and retail trade	171.4	171.4	171.4	171.4	171.4
Public authority (n.e.i.) and community and business services	173.7	173.7	173.7	173.8	173.8
Amusement, hotels, personal service, etc.	157.1	157.1	157.1	157.2	157.2
All industry groups (b)	163.4	163.4	163.4	163.4	163.4

Industry group	1968					
	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June
Engineering, metals, vehicles, etc.	162.4	162.5	162.5	162.5	162.5	162.5
Textiles, clothing and footwear	153.7	153.7	153.7	154.8	154.8	154.8
Food, drink and tobacco	158.7	158.7	158.7	158.8	159.2	159.2
Other manufacturing	159.4	159.4	160.4	160.4	160.4	160.4
All manufacturing groups	157.1	157.1	157.4	157.9	158.0	158.0
Transport and communication	177.3	177.3	177.3	177.3	177.3	177.3
Wholesale and retail trade	171.4	171.4	171.7	171.7	171.7	171.7
Public authority (n.e.i.) and community and business services	173.9	173.9	173.9	173.9	174.1	174.1
Amusement, hotels, personal service, etc.	161.0	161.0	161.4	161.4	162.0	162.1
All industry groups (b)	164.1	164.1	164.3	164.6	164.7	164.7

(a) See paragraph 10, page 4. (b) Excludes rural; mining and quarrying; and building and construction. (c) See NOTE at foot of page 4.

TABLE 13.- WEEKLY WAGE RATES : ADULT FEMALES, ALL GROUPS (a)

Weighted average minimum weekly rates payable for a full week's work (excluding over-time), as prescribed in awards, determinations, etc.; and index numbers of wage rates.

End of -		N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
RATES OF WAGE (\$)								
1965	June	29.38	27.85	28.51	27.41	27.99	27.32	28.52
	September	29.86	28.36	29.12	27.75	28.55	27.67	29.02
	December	29.93	28.46	29.17	27.75	28.70	27.94	29.10
1966	March	29.94	28.47	29.17	27.75	29.24	27.94	29.13
	June	29.95	28.48	29.93	27.77	29.45	27.97	29.23
	September	31.47	30.04	30.44	29.41	30.51	29.51	30.65
	December	31.52	30.06	30.53	29.42	30.72	29.80	30.70
1967	March	32.01	30.51	30.69	29.82	31.13	30.01	31.13
	June	32.13	30.93	31.40	29.95	31.20	30.37	31.41
	July	33.16	31.98	32.56	30.99	31.93	31.57	32.45
	August	33.19	32.03	32.70	31.28	31.97	31.62	32.52
	September	33.19	32.03	32.71	31.29	31.98	31.62	32.52
	October	33.19	32.03	32.71	31.29	31.99	31.62	32.52
	November	33.19	32.04	32.71	31.30	32.00	31.62	32.53
	December	33.19	32.04	32.71	31.30	32.00	31.62	32.53
1968	January	33.42	32.12	32.84	31.38	32.00	31.73	32.67
	February	33.42	32.12	32.84	31.39	32.00	31.73	32.67
	March	33.45	32.16	32.85	31.41	32.30	31.74	32.71
	April	33.49	32.25	32.86	31.43	32.30	31.85	32.76
	May	33.51	32.26	32.86	31.43	32.49	31.85	32.79
	June	33.51	32.26	32.86	31.43	32.53	31.85	32.79
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(Base : Weighted average weekly wage rate, Australia, 1954 = 100)								
1965	June	147.6	139.9	143.2	137.7	140.6	137.2	143.2
	September	150.0	142.4	146.3	139.4	143.4	139.0	145.7
	December	150.4	143.0	146.5	139.4	144.1	140.4	146.2
1966	March	150.4	143.0	146.5	139.4	146.9	140.4	146.3
	June	150.4	143.1	150.3	139.5	147.9	140.5	146.8
	September	158.1	150.9	152.9	147.7	153.2	148.2	153.9
	December	158.3	151.0	153.4	147.8	154.3	149.7	154.2
1967	March	160.8	153.3	154.1	149.8	156.3	150.8	156.3
	June	161.4	155.4	157.7	150.4	156.7	152.5	157.8
	July	166.6	160.6	163.6	155.7	160.4	158.6	163.0
	August	166.7	160.9	164.3	157.1	160.6	158.8	163.4
	September	166.7	160.9	164.3	157.2	160.6	158.8	163.4
	October	166.7	160.9	164.3	157.2	160.7	158.8	163.4
	November	166.7	160.9	164.3	157.2	160.7	158.8	163.4
	December	166.7	160.9	164.3	157.2	160.7	158.8	163.4
1968	January	167.9	161.3	165.0	157.6	160.7	159.4	164.1
	February	167.9	161.4	165.0	157.7	160.7	159.4	164.1
	March	168.0	161.5	165.0	157.8	162.2	159.4	164.3
	April	168.2	162.0	165.0	157.9	162.2	160.0	164.6
	May	168.3	162.0	165.1	157.9	163.2	160.0	164.7
	June	168.3	162.0	165.1	157.9	163.4	160.0	164.7

(a) See paragraph 10, page 4. Excludes rural; mining and quarrying; and building and construction. Figures for July 1967 and subsequent months are subject to revision - see paragraph 13, page 4. See also NOTE at foot of page 4.

TABLE 14. - HOURLY WAGE RATES : ADULT FEMALES (a)

INDUSTRY GROUPS, 30 JUNE 1968 (c)

Weighted average minimum hourly rates payable and index numbers of hourly rates.

Industry group	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
RATES OF WAGE (Cents)							
Engineering, metals, vehicles, etc.	82.54	80.38	79.88	77.10	78.31	79.13	80.98
Textiles, clothing and footwear	77.73	76.50	77.59	77.21	77.39	74.95	77.07
Food, drink and tobacco	82.80	77.69	78.88	75.43	75.81	74.15	79.25
Other manufacturing	81.11	78.97	82.32	77.44	78.22	76.92	80.10
All manufacturing groups	80.14	77.65	79.16	76.91	77.32	75.37	78.70
Transport and communication	93.99	91.57	93.82	91.79	93.36	96.96	93.10
Wholesale and retail trade	88.36	86.17	84.26	80.54	82.38	81.92	85.84
Public authority (n.e.i.) and community and business services	94.23	87.20	85.20	82.28	80.08	96.00	89.07
Amusement, hotels, personal service, etc.	84.32	78.63	78.98	72.80	84.93	78.27	81.33
All industry groups (b)	84.78	81.04	82.78	79.03	81.77	80.39	82.66

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(Base : Weighted average hourly wage rate, Australia, 1954 = 100)

Engineering, metals, vehicles, etc.	164.5	160.2	159.2	153.7	156.1	157.7	161.4
Textiles, clothing and footwear	154.9	152.5	154.7	153.9	154.3	149.4	153.6
Food, drink and tobacco	165.0	154.9	157.2	150.3	151.1	147.8	158.0
Other manufacturing	161.7	157.4	164.1	154.3	155.9	153.3	159.7
All manufacturing groups	159.7	154.8	157.8	153.3	154.1	150.2	156.9
Transport and communication	187.3	182.5	187.0	183.0	186.1	193.3	185.6
Wholesale and retail trade	176.1	171.8	168.0	160.5	164.2	163.3	171.1
Public authority (n.e.i.) and community and business services	187.8	173.8	169.8	164.0	159.6	191.4	177.5
Amusement, hotels, personal service, etc.	168.1	156.7	157.4	145.1	169.3	156.0	162.1
All industry groups (b)	169.0	161.5	165.0	157.5	163.0	160.2	164.8

(a) See paragraph 10, page 4. (b) Excludes rural; mining and quarrying; and building and construction. (c) See NOTE at foot of page 4.

TABLE 15. - HOURLY WAGE RATES : ADULT FEMALES (a)
INDUSTRY GROUPS, SEPTEMBER 1966 TO JUNE 1968 (c)

Weighted average minimum hourly rates payable and index numbers of wage rates.

RATES OF WAGE (Cents)					
Industry group	1966		1967		
	Sept.	Dec.	March	June	July
Engineering, metals, vehicles, etc.	75.34	75.34	76.32	76.92	79.50
Textiles, clothing and footwear	71.91	71.91	72.73	74.03	76.52
Food, drink and tobacco	74.47	74.67	75.49	76.07	78.56
Other manufacturing	75.21	75.32	76.24	76.70	79.24
All manufacturing groups	73.56	73.62	74.49	75.38	77.90
Transport and communication	87.14	87.22	89.03	89.31	92.48
Wholesale and retail trade	80.94	81.02	82.20	83.01	85.57
Public authority (n.e.i.) and community and business services	82.46	83.24	84.80	85.26	88.17
Amusement, hotels, personal service, etc.	74.91	74.96	75.87	76.06	78.69
All industry groups (b)	77.25	77.39	78.46	79.18	81.80

Industry group	1967				
	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Engineering, metals, vehicles, etc.	79.66	79.66	79.66	79.66	79.66
Textiles, clothing and footwear	76.53	76.53	76.53	76.53	76.53
Food, drink and tobacco	78.64	78.64	78.67	78.67	78.68
Other manufacturing	79.33	79.35	79.35	79.36	79.36
All manufacturing groups	77.96	77.97	77.97	77.98	77.98
Transport and communication	93.07	93.09	93.09	93.09	93.09
Wholesale and retail trade	85.70	85.70	85.70	85.70	85.70
Public authority (n.e.i.) and community and business services	88.85	88.85	88.85	88.88	88.88
Amusement, hotels, personal service, etc.	78.83	78.85	78.85	78.85	78.85
All industry groups (b)	81.98	81.98	81.98	81.99	81.99

Industry group	1968					
	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June
Engineering, metals, vehicles, etc.	80.92	80.98	80.98	80.98	80.98	80.98
Textiles, clothing and footwear	76.53	76.53	76.53	77.07	77.07	77.07
Food, drink and tobacco	78.99	78.99	79.01	79.02	79.25	79.25
Other manufacturing	79.58	79.58	80.08	80.09	80.10	80.10
All manufacturing groups	78.29	78.30	78.41	78.67	78.70	78.70
Transport and communication	93.09	93.10	93.10	93.10	93.10	93.10
Wholesale and retail trade	85.70	85.70	85.84	85.84	85.84	85.84
Public authority (n.e.i.) and community and business services	88.96	88.96	88.96	88.96	89.07	89.07
Amusement, hotels, personal service, etc.	80.76	80.80	80.97	80.97	81.28	81.33
All industry groups (b)	82.35	82.36	82.47	82.59	82.65	82.66

(a) See paragraph 10, page 4. (b) Excludes rural; mining and quarrying; and building and construction. (c) See NOTE at foot of page 4.

TABLE 15. - HOURLY WAGE RATES : ADULT FEMALES (a)

INDUSTRY GROUPS, AUSTRALIA, SEPTEMBER 1966 TO JUNE 1968 (c) - continued

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(Base : Weighted average hourly wage rate, Australia, 1954 = 100)

Industry group	1966		1967		
	Sept.	Dec.	March	June	July
Engineering, metals, vehicles, etc.	150.2	150.2	152.1	153.3	158.5
Textiles, clothing and footwear	143.3	143.3	145.0	147.6	152.5
Food, drink and tobacco	148.4	148.8	150.5	151.6	156.6
Other manufacturing	149.9	150.1	152.0	152.9	157.9
All manufacturing groups	146.6	146.7	148.5	150.3	155.3
Transport and communication	173.7	173.9	177.5	178.0	184.3
Wholesale and retail trade	161.3	161.5	163.9	165.5	170.6
Public authority (n.e.i.) and community and business services	164.4	165.9	169.0	169.9	175.7
Amusement, hotels, personal service, etc.	149.3	149.4	151.2	151.6	156.8
All industry groups (b)	154.0	154.2	156.4	157.8	163.0

Industry group	1967				
	August	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Engineering, metals, vehicles, etc.	158.8	158.8	158.8	158.8	158.8
Textiles, clothing and footwear	152.5	152.5	152.5	152.5	152.5
Food, drink and tobacco	156.8	156.8	156.8	156.8	156.8
Other manufacturing	158.1	158.2	158.2	158.2	158.2
All manufacturing groups	155.4	155.4	155.4	155.4	155.4
Transport and communication	185.5	185.5	185.5	185.5	185.5
Wholesale and retail trade	170.8	170.8	170.8	170.8	170.8
Public authority (n.e.i.) and community and business services	177.1	177.1	177.1	177.2	177.2
Amusement, hotels, personal service, etc.	157.1	157.2	157.2	157.2	157.2
All industry groups (b)	163.4	163.4	163.4	163.4	163.4

Industry group	1968					
	Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June
Engineering, metals, vehicles, etc.	161.3	161.4	161.4	161.4	161.4	161.4
Textiles, clothing and footwear	152.5	152.5	152.5	153.6	153.6	153.6
Food, drink and tobacco	157.4	157.4	157.5	157.5	158.0	158.0
Other manufacturing	158.6	158.6	159.6	159.6	159.7	159.7
All manufacturing groups	156.0	156.1	156.3	156.8	156.9	156.9
Transport and communication	185.5	185.6	185.6	185.6	185.6	185.6
Wholesale and retail trade	170.8	170.8	171.1	171.1	171.1	171.1
Public authority (n.e.i.) and community and business services	177.3	177.3	177.3	177.3	177.5	177.5
Amusement, hotels, personal service, etc.	161.0	161.0	161.4	161.4	162.0	162.1
All industry groups (b)	164.1	164.2	164.4	164.6	164.7	164.8

(a) See paragraph 10, page 4. (b) Excludes rural; mining and quarrying; and building and construction. (c) See NOTE at foot of page 4.

TABLE 16.- HOURLY WAGE RATES : ADULT FEMALES, ALL GROUPS (a)
Weighted average minimum hourly rates payable and index numbers of hourly rates.

End of -		N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	Aust.
RATES OF WAGE (Cents)								
1965	June	74.32	69.95	71.82	68.92	70.35	68.94	71.89
	September	75.55	71.23	73.35	69.77	71.77	69.83	73.14
	December	75.74	71.50	73.48	69.77	72.13	70.52	73.36
1966	March	75.74	71.52	73.48	69.78	73.50	70.52	73.43
	June	75.77	71.54	75.39	69.84	74.02	70.60	73.69
	September	79.63	75.45	76.67	73.95	76.68	74.46	77.25
	December	79.74	75.50	76.91	73.98	77.21	75.20	77.39
1967	March	80.98	76.65	77.30	74.98	78.24	75.74	78.46
	June	81.30	77.69	79.09	75.31	78.43	76.64	79.10
	July	83.90	80.33	82.02	77.94	80.27	79.67	81.80
	August	83.98	80.46	82.37	78.67	80.37	79.79	81.98
	September	83.98	80.46	82.39	78.67	80.38	79.79	81.98
	October	83.98	80.46	82.39	78.69	80.41	79.79	81.98
	November	83.98	80.48	82.40	78.71	80.42	79.79	81.99
	December	83.98	80.48	82.40	78.71	80.42	79.79	81.99
1968	January	84.55	80.68	82.73	78.91	80.42	80.09	82.35
	February	84.56	80.69	82.73	78.94	80.43	80.09	82.36
	March	84.63	80.79	82.75	78.99	81.19	80.10	82.47
	April	84.73	81.01	82.76	79.03	81.19	80.39	82.59
	May	84.78	81.04	82.78	79.03	81.68	80.39	82.65
	June	84.78	81.04	82.78	79.03	81.77	80.39	82.66
INDEX NUMBERS								
(Base : Weighted average hourly wage rate, Australia, 1954 = 100)								
1965	June	148.1	139.4	143.1	137.4	140.2	137.4	143.3
	September	150.6	142.0	146.2	139.1	143.1	139.2	145.8
	December	151.0	142.5	146.5	139.1	143.8	140.6	146.2
1966	March	151.0	142.6	146.5	139.1	146.5	140.6	146.4
	June	151.0	142.6	150.3	139.2	147.5	140.7	146.9
	September	158.7	150.4	152.8	147.4	152.8	148.4	154.0
	December	158.9	150.5	153.3	147.5	153.9	149.9	154.2
1967	March	161.4	152.8	154.1	149.4	155.9	151.0	156.4
	June	162.1	154.9	157.6	150.1	156.3	152.8	157.8
	July	167.2	160.1	163.5	155.3	160.0	158.8	163.0
	August	167.4	160.4	164.2	156.8	160.2	159.0	163.4
	September	167.4	160.4	164.2	156.8	160.2	159.0	163.4
	October	167.4	160.4	164.2	156.8	160.3	159.0	163.4
	November	167.4	160.4	164.2	156.9	160.3	159.0	163.4
	December	167.4	160.4	164.3	156.9	160.3	159.0	163.4
1968	January	168.5	160.8	164.9	157.3	160.3	159.6	164.1
	February	168.5	160.8	164.9	157.3	160.3	159.6	164.2
	March	168.7	161.0	164.9	157.4	161.8	159.7	164.4
	April	168.9	161.5	165.0	157.5	161.8	160.2	164.6
	May	169.0	161.5	165.0	157.5	162.8	160.2	164.7
	June	169.0	161.5	165.0	157.5	163.0	160.2	164.8

(a) See paragraph 10, page 4. Excludes rural; mining and quarrying; and building and construction. Figures for July 1967 and subsequent months are subject to revision - see paragraph 13, page 4. See also NOTE at foot of page 4.

II. BASIC WAGES AND MINIMUM WAGES

For information about the definition and history of the basic wage in Australia reference should be made to the annual Labour Report. For tables showing Commonwealth and State basic wage rates over a long period of years see the Appendix to Labour Report No. 51, 1964.

COMMONWEALTH BASIC WAGES

SPECIAL NOTE. In June 1967 the Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Commission decided to eliminate basic wages and margins from its awards and to introduce total wages to operate from the beginning of the first pay-period commencing on or after 1 July 1967. Total wages for adult males and adult females were increased by \$1 a week from the same date. See also figures of Minimum Wage for adult males shown in Table 19 page 35.

TABLE 17. - COMMONWEALTH BASIC WAGES : WEEKLY RATES (d)

Date operative (a)	Sydney	Melbourne	Brisbane	Adelaide	Perth	Hobart	Six capitals
ADULT MALES (\$)							
1953 August (b)	24.30	23.50	21.80	23.10	23.60	24.20	23.60
1956 June (c)	25.30	24.50	22.80	24.10	24.60	25.20	24.60
1957 15 May (c)	26.30	25.50	23.80	25.10	25.60	26.20	25.60
1958 21 May (c)	26.80	26.00	24.30	25.60	26.10	26.70	26.10
1959 11 June (c)	28.30	27.50	25.80	27.10	27.60	28.20	27.60
1961 7 July (c)	29.50	28.70	27.00	28.30	28.80	29.40	28.80
1964 19 June (c)	31.50	30.70	29.00	30.30	30.80	31.40	30.80
1966 11 July (c)	33.50	32.70	31.00	32.30	32.80	33.40	32.80
1967 1 July (d)	(d)	(d)	(d)	(d)	(d)	(d)	(d)
ADULT FEMALES (\$)							
1953 August (b)	18.20	17.60	16.35	17.30	17.70	18.15	17.70
1956 June (c)	18.95	18.35	17.10	18.05	18.45	18.90	18.45
1957 15 May (c)	19.70	19.10	17.85	18.80	19.20	19.65	19.20
1958 21 May (c)	20.10	19.50	18.20	19.20	19.55	20.00	19.55
1959 11 June (c)	21.20	20.60	19.35	20.30	20.70	21.15	20.70
1961 7 July (c)	22.10	21.50	20.25	21.20	21.60	22.05	21.60
1964 19 June (c)	23.60	23.00	21.75	22.70	23.10	23.55	23.10
1966 11 July (c)	25.10	24.50	23.25	24.20	24.60	25.05	24.60
1967 1 July (d)	(d)	(d)	(d)	(d)	(d)	(d)	(d)

(a) Rates are operative from the beginning of the first pay-period commencing in the month shown or commencing on or after the date shown. (b) Automatic quarterly adjustments in accordance with variations in retail price index numbers discontinued. (c) Rates declared subsequent to an inquiry. (d) See SPECIAL NOTE above and Table 19, page 35.

STATE BASIC WAGES

Table 18 on page 34 shows the State basic wage rates operative in each State from the end of 1965. Basic wage rates for earlier periods are published in the appendix to Labour Report No. 51, 1964.

Subsequent to increases in total wages in Commonwealth awards operative from 1 July 1967 (see SPECIAL NOTE page 32) State award wages were also increased as follows:

New South Wales. Award rates of wages and salaries for adult males and adult females were increased by the addition of a fixed loading of \$1 per week described as "July 1967 economic loading" to take effect from the beginning of the first pay-period to commence on or after 1 July 1967. Subsequently, legislation fixed the basic wage for adult males at \$34.50 per week and for adult females at \$26.10 per week to operate from 1 January 1968. The increase of \$1 in each basic wage absorbed the July 1967 economic loading which was then omitted from awards and agreements.

Victoria. Wage rates for adult males and adult females in most Wages Boards determinations were increased by \$1 per week to operate from 1 July 1967. Basic wages and margins were deleted from determinations and wage rates expressed as total wages.

Queensland. Award rates of pay for both adult males and adult females were increased by \$1 per week to operate from 3 July 1967.

South Australia. The "Living Wages" for both adult males and adult females were increased by \$1 per week to operate from 3 July 1967.

Western Australia. The decision of the Industrial Commission was that the minimum weekly wage payable to adult male workers under certain awards be increased from \$36.55 to \$37.55; that the wage rates for adult workers not in receipt of the 'minimum wage' be increased by 60 cents per week (by way of a Special Loading); and that other wage rates be adjusted as if the basic wage for males and the basic wage for females had been increased by that amount. These increases were declared to operate from the beginning of the first pay-period commencing on or after 1 July 1967.

Tasmania. The chairman of Tasmanian Wages Boards announced on 4 July that a \$1 per week increase in basic wage rates for adult males and adult females would be incorporated in Wages Boards determinations beginning in July 1967.

TABLE 18 - STATE BASIC WAGES : WEEKLY RATES (d) (\$)

Date operative (a)	Adult males	Adult females
NEW SOUTH WALES BASIC WAGE - SYDNEY RATES		
1964 19 June (b)	31.50	23.60
1966 11 July (b)	33.50	25.10
1968 1 January (d)	34.50	26.10
VICTORIAN BASIC WAGE - MELBOURNE RATES		
1964 June/July (b)	30.70	23.00
1966 11 July (b)	32.70	24.50
1967 1 July (d)	(d)	(d)
QUEENSLAND BASIC WAGE - BRISBANE RATES		
1965 20 September (c)	31.40	23.55
1966 23 May (c)	32.70	24.55
1967 10 April (c)	33.20	24.90
1967 3 July (d)	(d)	(d)
SOUTH AUSTRALIAN LIVING WAGE - ADELAIDE RATES		
1964 22 June (b)	30.30	22.70
1966 11 July (b)	32.30	24.20
1967 3 July (d)	33.30	25.20
WESTERN AUSTRALIAN BASIC WAGE - PERTH RATES		
1965 16 November	31.96	23.97
1966 25 January	32.38	24.28
2 May	32.65	24.49
2 August	33.26	24.95
24 October	33.50	25.13
1967 1 July (d)	(d)	(d)
TASMANIAN BASIC WAGE - HOBART RATES		
1964 19 June (b)	31.40	23.55
1966 11 July (b)	33.40	25.05
1967 July (d)	34.40	26.05

- (a) Rates are operative from the beginning of the first pay-period commencing in the month shown or commencing on or after the date shown.
- (b) Commonwealth basic wage rates adopted.
- (c) Rates declared subsequent to an inquiry.
- (d) See text on page 33 and SPECIAL NOTE under Commonwealth Basic Wages.

MINIMUM WAGE - ADULT MALESAWARDS OF COMMONWEALTH CONCILIATION AND ARBITRATION COMMISSION

In its decision of 8 July 1966 in the Basic Wage, Margins and Total Wage Cases of 1966, the Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Commission announced that it intended to grant relief to low wage earners by inserting a provision in awards prescribing a minimum wage. The provisions inserted in the awards state that no adult male employee shall be paid at less than the prescribed minimum rates as ordinary rates of pay in respect of the ordinary hours of work prescribed by the award. The weekly rates of minimum wage prescribed were the appropriate basic wages plus \$3.75 a week. In its decision of June 1967 the Conciliation and Arbitration Commission eliminated basic wages and margins from its awards and at the same time increased minimum wages for adult males by \$1 a week.

Weekly rates of minimum wage prescribed in Commonwealth Awards include those set out below.

TABLE 19. - MINIMUM WAGE, ADULT MALES, WEEKLY RATES

COMMONWEALTH AWARDS

(\$)

Date operative (a)	Sydney	Melbourne	Brisbane	Adelaide	Perth	Hobart
11 July 1966	37.25	36.45	34.75	36.05	36.55	37.15
1 July 1967	38.25	37.45	35.75	37.05	37.55	38.15

(a) Rates are operative from the beginning of the first pay-period commencing on or after the date shown.

MINIMUM WAGE - ADULT MALES. STATE AWARDS

The text and Table 19 above contain information on the provision of minimum wage for adult males in awards of the Commonwealth Conciliation and Arbitration Commission.

Similar provisions for minimum wage for adult males have been introduced into State awards etc. in South Australia, Western Australia and Tasmania. Current weekly rates are - Adelaide \$37.05; Perth \$37.55; Hobart \$38.15.

III. AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS

The figures in this section are derived from particulars of employment and of wages and salaries recorded on Pay-roll Tax returns, from other direct collections and from estimates of the unrecorded balance. The figures relate to civilians only.

Particulars of wages and salaries paid are not available for males and females separately from the sources mentioned above; average weekly earnings have therefore been calculated in terms of male units, i.e. total male employees plus 55 per cent of female employees. This proportion is derived from the estimated ratio of female to male earnings in Australia. As it was not possible to estimate the ratio of female to male earnings in the several States the same ratio has been used in each State. Because the actual ratio may vary between States precise comparisons between average earnings in different States cannot be made on the basis of the figures shown.

For a number of reasons average weekly earnings per employed male unit cannot be compared with the weekly wage rates shown in Tables 1-7. The figures in Tables 1-7 are weighted average minimum award etc. rates payable to adult male wage earners in non-rural industry for a full week's work, at the end of each month or year. Those in Table 20 represent actual average weekly earnings for all wage earners and salaried employees (whether adult or junior, full-time or part-time, casual, etc.) and are quarterly or annual averages.

Figures relating to periods earlier than those shown in Table 20 can be found in the November 1966 issue of this bulletin.

TABLE 20. - AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS PER EMPLOYED MALE UNIT (a)
(£)

Period		N.S.W. (b)	Vic.	Qld	S.A. (c)	W.A.	Tas.	Australia
1962-63		50.20	50.10	44.40	45.80	44.20	45.90	48.40
1963-64		52.60	52.50	46.90	48.20	47.20	48.40	50.90
1964-65		56.50	56.40	50.40	52.00	49.50	51.00	54.60
1965-66		58.60	59.20	52.50	53.80	54.10	53.80	57.00
1966-67		62.40	63.00	55.60	56.90	58.30	57.40	60.70
1967-68		66.00	66.80	58.80	60.40	62.50	61.10	64.30
1966 -	March Quarter	56.90	55.60	49.20	51.40	52.40	53.10	54.60
	June "	58.80	60.50	52.70	53.80	55.30	55.20	57.70
	September "	61.40	62.50	55.20	56.50	57.90	54.90	60.00
	December "	63.80	64.80	57.80	57.80	59.50	59.50	62.30
1967 -	March "	60.30	59.80	53.00	55.30	56.80	55.50	58.30
	June "	64.20	65.10	56.50	57.90	59.00	59.50	62.40
	September "	64.80	66.10	58.10	60.00	60.90	59.20	63.40
	December "	67.40	r69.20	61.40	61.60	63.80	63.30	r66.20
1968 -	March "	64.00	63.50	55.70	58.80	60.80	58.90	61.90
	June "	67.70	68.30	59.80	61.30	64.30	62.90	65.90

(a) Includes, in addition to wages at award rates, earnings of salaried employees, over-time earnings, over-award and bonus payments, payments made in advance or retrospectively during the period specified, etc. See explanatory notes above. (b) Includes the Australian Capital Territory. (c) Includes the Northern Territory. r - revised.

NOTE. Quarterly figures are affected by seasonal influences. Comparisons as to trend are generally best made by relating complete years or corresponding periods of incomplete years. However, from December quarter 1963, comparisons with corresponding quarters of earlier years are affected by additional prepayments arising from extensions of annual leave from two to three weeks.

Seasonally adjusted indexes of average earnings are shown in Table 21.

TABLE 21. - INDEXES OF AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS (a) : AUSTRALIA

(Base of each Index : Year 1953-54 = 100)

Seasonally Adjusted

Period	All industries (b)	Manufacturing (c)	Period	All industries (b)	Manufacturing (c)
1957-58	120.8	122.0	1961 Sept. Qtr	141.7	140.9
1958-59	124.5	125.6	Dec. "	143.4	142.8
1959-60	134.3	135.4	1962 March Qtr	146.2	144.4
1960-61	140.6	141.1	June "	147.3	145.4
1961-62	144.7	143.4	Sept. "	145.3	146.4
1962-63	148.3	147.7	Dec. "	146.9	146.3
1963-64	155.9	154.8	1963 March Qtr	149.7	149.3
1964-65	167.3	167.1	June "	151.3	148.8
1965-66	174.6	173.1	Sept. "	150.9	151.4
1966-67	186.0	184.3	Dec. "	155.4	152.8
1967-68	197.0	195.6	1964 March Qtr	157.9	156.9
1957 Sept. Qtr	119.2	119.8	June "	159.0	158.2
Dec. "	120.9	122.1	Sept. "	163.6	165.3
1958 March Qtr	121.2	122.3	Dec. "	165.5	164.2
June "	121.9	123.6	1965 March Qtr	169.7	168.4
Sept. "	123.2	124.2	June "	170.3	170.4
Dec. "	125.2	126.0	Sept. "	172.4	171.8
1959 March Qtr	124.0	125.4	Dec. "	173.6	172.3
June "	125.5	126.8	1966 March Qtr	175.9	173.0
Sept. "	130.3	131.8	June "	176.4	175.4
Dec. "	131.6	132.7	Sept. "	182.0	181.1
1960 March Qtr	136.4	137.5	Dec. "	183.8	182.5
June "	138.9	139.5	1967 March Qtr	187.0	185.3
Sept. "	139.0	140.2	June "	190.4	188.1
Dec. "	140.4	141.7	Sept. "	r194.1	192.2
1961 March Qtr	141.5	142.4	Dec. "	r195.9	193.7
June "	141.7	140.2	1968 March Qtr	r197.6	197.6
			June "	201.2	200.4

(a) See explanatory notes on page 36. (b) Average earnings per employed male unit. Based on Pay-roll Tax returns and other data. (c) The index for manufacturing industries for the years 1957-58 to 1966-67 is based on the average earnings of male wage and salary earners employed in factories as disclosed by annual Factory Censuses. The figures for periods subsequent to June 1967 are interim estimates based on Pay-roll Tax returns and are subject to revision when the Factory Census for 1967-68 is tabulated. r - revised.

- NOTE. 1. The index numbers for "All industries" and "Manufacturing" show the movement in average earnings for each group over a period of time. However, they do not give, at any point of time, a comparison of actual earnings in the two groups.
2. There has been no change in the basis of seasonal adjustment of these series. They have not yet been adjusted by the programs used for other Bureau series, as described in "Seasonally Adjusted Indicators 1968", issued on 21 May 1968.

IV. SURVEYS OF WEEKLY EARNINGS AND HOURS

General - Since 1960 a number of statistical surveys of wages and hours of work in Australia have been conducted. Each of these surveys is listed below and reference made to the publications containing detailed results.

Survey of Wage Rates and Earnings, September 1960 - For results of this survey of marginal rates of wage and actual weekly earnings of full-time adult male employees see Labour Report No. 50, pages 80-83.

Survey of Weekly Earnings, October 1961 - Results of this survey about the distribution of actual weekly earnings of full-time adult males were published in Labour Report No. 50, pages 83-86.

Surveys of Weekly Earnings and Hours, October 1962, 1963 and 1964 - Results of these surveys showing comparison with similar surveys conducted in October 1966 and October 1967 were published in statistical bulletin, Survey of Weekly Earnings and Hours, October 1967 (see below).

Survey of Weekly Earnings, October 1965 - This survey obtained average weekly earnings for full-time adult and junior males in private and government employment; and for full-time adult males, the numbers in various weekly earnings groups, and a dissection of total weekly earnings into overtime earnings, ordinary time earnings at "award, etc. rates", and ordinary time earnings in excess of "award, etc. rates". For detailed results see SB 391, Survey of Weekly Earnings, October 1965.

Surveys of Weekly Earnings and Hours, October 1966 and October 1967 - As for the Surveys of October 1962, 1963 and 1964 these surveys obtained figures of average weekly earnings, average weekly hours paid for, and average hourly earnings for adult and junior males and females in private employment, separately by industry groups and by States. In addition, also obtained were details of average weekly overtime earnings and overtime hours for full-time male and female employees in private employment (other than managerial etc. staff). The surveys were conducted from stratified random samples of private employers subject to pay-roll tax excluding those in rural industry and in private domestic service.

A summary of some of the results of the October 1967 survey together with some comparisons with the results of the surveys of October 1962, 1963, 1964 and 1966 were published in the April 1968 and May 1968 issues of this bulletin. More detailed results were published in statistical bulletin, Survey of Weekly Earnings and Hours, October 1967.

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